VICTORIA WEATHER

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PANAMA CANAL CONTROVERSY

Editor Taft of Cincinnati Takes Exception to Article of New York World

STORY WAS CAMPAIGN YARN

Solicitor-General Hoyt Confirms Statement of President Roosevelt

Cincinnati, Ohio, Dec. 8—The Cincinnati Times-Star, of which Chas. Taft is editor and proprietor, published today the following reply to the article on the Panama canal, which appeared in the Indiana Police News and the New York World:

"The paper which was responsible for most of the talk about the Panama scandal during the recent campaign says this morning:

'Whether Douglas Robinson, who is Mr. Roosevelt's brother-in-law, or any of Mr. Taft's brothers associated themselves with Mr. Cromwell in Panama exploitation or shared in these profits is incidental to the main issue of letting in the light?

"This statement is intentionally misleading. The Panama story was used in the campaign for political reasons only. The one thing that gave it political value in the eyes of those who used it was the fact that the story, as printed, carried the names of a brother of the Republican candidate for the presidency and of a brother-in-law of the president. The inference was plain enough. It was that Theodore Roosevelt and Wm. H. Taft had used their influence as high officials of the United States government to help their near relatives in looting the treasury at Washington. That was the meat of the story. If the names of Douglas Robinson and Chas. Taft had not been included in it, flimsy and absurd as it was, the lying warn would never have been used by the World, the Indiana Police News, or any other papers which for one reason or another wanted to defeat Mr. Taft and discredit Mr. Roosevelt.

"The World is trying to down the issue. It wants to be relieved of the responsibility of trying to drag the names of Mr. Robinson and Mr. Taft into its made-to-order mess of scandal and slime. Both the World and the Indiana Police News are crying 'let in the light.' We thoroughly agree with them. But after a little time has passed, after the most desperate efforts of the World and News have produced all the evidence they can, an apology would be in order from these newspapers.

"In the meantime Mr. Taft reserves the right to take legal steps, which positively have been made more desirable by the events and insinuations of the past forty-eight hours."

Mr. Hoyt's Statement

Washington, Dec. 8—Solicitor-General Hoyt, in commenting today upon the president's letter to Mr. Foulke, regarding the payment for the Panama canal, said:

"I furnished to the president the facts concerning the method of payment of the money for the Panama canal to the French people. The president's statements are absolutely true. The money was paid at the bank of France to the liquidator, M. Gautron, appointed under the decree of the civil tribunal of the Seine, having jurisdiction over the case, and the amount was apportioned between the new and the old companies in the exact proportion decided in this decree of the civil tribunal of the Seine. The action of this civil tribunal was the action of the French government, just as any decision of the court here is the action of the government. Any pretense to the contrary is a mere quibble over names."

Two of Crew Drowned

New York, Dec. 8—The tug Anthracite, of the George M. Morrell Towing company, was sunk by the New York, New Haven and Hartford railway ferry boat Maryland in the North river today and two of the tug's crew lost. The men who were drowned with the tug were the engineer, Ward Garnier, and the cook, Edward Hallenbeck. The other men jumped into the water and were later picked up.

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Steamer Sunk

Ogdensburg, Dec. 8.—Wreckers were called to Waddington today to raise the steamer Vivian, sunk last night by striking a projecting timber. All the passengers were safely landed.

Wealthy Woman Dies.

New York, Dec. 8.—Miss Mary G. Pinkney died today of pneumonia at the Hotel Buckingham at the age of 99 years. She was credited with being one of the wealthiest women of the world, the value of her holdings in Manhattan real estate alone being estimated at $10,000,000.

Mr. Lemieux to Speak.

New York, Dec. 8.—Hon. R. Lemieux, Canadian postmaster-general and minister of labor, will be the principal speaker at the tweifth annual banquet of the Canadian society, of New York at Delmonico's tomorrow night. Other speakers will include Robt. Cooper Smith, of McGill university, Montreal.

Nelson's Street Railway.

Nelson, Dec. 8.—Nelson street cars will be running again early next month. A local syndicate offered Mayor Taylor today to operate the line if given free power from the city's power plant at Bonnington falls. The details will be settled at the council meeting next Monday, and the new proposition will be voted on at the municipal elections in January. It is practically certain that the deal will go through.

Milton Tercentenary.

London, Dec. 8.—There was a notable gathering in the theatre of the British academy at the opening of the celebration of the tercentenary of John Milton's birth. Those who assembled included men most prominent in art, science and literature and the learned professions. The events of the evening were the reciting of a poem of homage specially written by George Meredith, the novelist, and an oration by Dr. A. W. Ward, of Cambridge, who presided.

TREATY IS OPPOSED BY FRENCH SENATORS

Explanations of Minister Fail to Remove Objections of Commission

Paris, Dec. 8.—Despite the explanations of M. Cruppi, the Minister of Commerce, at today's meeting, the tariff commission of the senate maintained its opposition to many of the provisions of the Franco-Canadian commercial convention. The minister decided to prepare a statement for presentation to the commission which would fully meet all the points raised by those who are opposed to the convention.

ITS AFFAIRS TANGLED

Ex-Secretary Shaw Speaks of Position of Fidelity Funding Company, of New York

Philadelphia, Dec. 8.—Former secretary of the United States treasury, L. M. Shaw, who is president of the First Mortgage Guarantee and Trust company of this city, admitted today that the Fidelity Funding company, of New York, owes him $60,000.

Said Mr. Shaw: "My loans are fully covered by bonds, which are as safe as the bond of any government on earth, and margined with additional notes at nearly 100 per cent. I think the same is true with most, and very likely all, the banks and insurance companies.

"Some of the papers have spoken of the St. Mary's academy of the Benedictine sisters, the Sisters of Visitation and other Catholic societies and institutions as creditors. Unfortunately, these societies are debtors. The banks, insurance companies and private individuals are the creditors.

"An effort was made a year ago to increase the capital of the company to something over two millions, and some subscriptions were made (I was one of the subscribers), on condition that the full amount should be raised. This ought to have been done, as the proposition was all right, if properly handled. A monsignor of the Catholic church told me that he had known Mr. Kieran for years, and had never known a more upright gentleman. In my judgment, there is but one thing for the church to do. Just as soon as the several bishops whose dioceses are involved come to realize the situation, they will undoubtedly get together, apportion the loss between them, and pledge its payment. They will then have no difficulty in getting the necessary financial aid."

French Theatre Riot

Paris, Dec. 8—The most violent demonstration in years marked the performance tonight at the Comedie Francaise of Mirabeau's "Le Foyer," a venomous satire on the upper classes. The police were called in and ejected the rioters only after a prolonged fight, in which one policeman and a number of spectators were injured. Twelve persons were arrested.

James J. Hill's Views

Peoria, Ills., Dec. 8—Surrounded by more prominent railroad officers than ever before visited Peoria at one time, Jas. J. Hill tonight addressed 500 persons at a banquet given in his honor by the Commercial and Crevecoeur clubs of Peoria. Mr. Hill advocated the development of the agricultural interests of the country as its future salvation. He held that no country ever prospered unless it was based on agriculture as its chief industry. In the next thirty years he predicted that the population of the United States would increase to 200,000,000, and the present methods of agriculture would be inadequate then. He declared that it was an utter impossibility at the present prices of materials and labor to build and equip a railroad from Chicago to New York which would pay a dividend of 2 per cent per annum on the investment.

FOUGHT POLICE IN CITY STREET

Fanatics Who Invaded Canada Last Summer Kill Kansas City Officers

LEADER SHARP ALSO SHOT

Five Lives Likely to Pay the Price of Extraordinary Fanaticism

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 8.—In the shadow of the city hall, a riot, in which religious fanatics and the police participated, resulted this afternoon in the death of one person, the fatal injury of four others and the severe injury of two others.

The dead—A. O. Dalbow, policeman.

Fatally injured—Patrick Clark, police lieutenant; John Sharp, a street preacher, known as "Adam God."; Michael Muliane, policeman; Lola Pratt, a girl fourteen years of age.

Severely hurt—H. E. Stegar, policeman; G. M. Holt, probation officer.

The trouble occurred while the streets were crowded with people. While the fight was in progress the participants traversed an entire block. Probation Officer Holt, of the juvenile court, today went to Fifth and Main streets to investigate a case of alleged abduction. Near that corner he met Sharp, who was exhorting a crowd. With Sharp were a woman named Selzer and five children, ranging in age from 3 to 14 years.

Holt did not like the manner in which the woman attempted to get money contributions from the crowd and he decided that she and her male companion were not proper persons to have the custody of young children. The woman announced that she and "Adam God" would conduct service at the poor man's mission tonight, whereupon she and her companions started toward the mission. Officer Holt then inquired as to the identity of the children. The woman replied that the officer "had better attend to his own business." The officer persevered in his inquiry, and "Adam God," who wears a long white beard and hair, struck him a heavy blow behind the ear with a pistol, inflicting an ugly wound. Holt was not armed, and he then started for the police station for assistance. As Holt moved away the preacher tried to shoot him, but the cartridges failed to explode. At the police station, Policemen Chas. Dalbow and Harry R. Steger were order to arrest Sharp and his followers. Sharp and his companion were within fifty yards of the police station when the officers stepped into the street.

The Sharpites, with profane abuse, served notice on all that they would preach right "under the eyes of the police station, and the police cannot prevent us." The officers did not, however, expect serious trouble and were not prepared for the volley of bullets which met them almost immediately they appeared on the scene.

Dalbow was killed instantly, and a bullet passed through Steger's arm. Other officers, hearing the firing, rushed into the street and a general fight ensued. The officers refrained from shooting for fear of endangering the lives of innocent persons. Lieut. Clark, who had come into the street unarmed, was shot in the eye, and Patrolman Mullane was shot in the back as he hurried into the police station for reinforcements.

In the meantime a riot call brought policemen from all directions. Thoroughly aroused, the officers closed in on Sharp and his followers, firing as they went. When the firing ceased, "Adam God" lay fatally wounded. The women and the children fled to a houseboat, in which they lived on the Missouri river. Fifty policemen followed them, and found that the woman had barricaded herself in the houseboat. Standing on the boat with a shot-gun, she shouted to the officers "Come on, you fiends." The boat was only a few feet from the bank of the river and several officers dashed toward it. The woman dropped her weapon, and seizing two of the children she sprang into a rowboat and began to row into the middle of the river. She was ordered to stop, but only plied the oars more vigorously. The police fired a volley at the rowboat. One shot struck Lola Pratt, tearing away the greater part of the child's face.

The woman then surrendered. At the police station she said she was Mrs. Pratt, wife of one of the companions of "Adam God," and mother of the wounded child. Louis Pratt, who was with the preacher when the first shooting took place, was arrested uninjured.

Lola Pratt died tonight. Lieut. Clark is reported to be at the point of death, while Mullane may not live until morning.

Invaded Canada

Oklahoma City, Okla., Dec. 8.—John Sharp, styling himself Elijah Second, at the head of a party of religious fanatics calling themselves "Holy Rollers" first appeared in Oklahoma City in March, 1905. Sharp, his wife, a young man named Green and a boy said to have been Sharp's son, all nude, headed a procession of their followers one cold day in March, 1905, and attempted to parade the town. They were arrested, but were allowed to go free provided they left the city. They went to the country southeast of Oklahoma City and campaigned until late in the summer following. They became so obnoxious to the farmers that they were arrested. A second time they were let off, with a promise to leave the territory, which they did, going to Colorado. Getting into similar trouble there, they travelled up the Pacific coast, and finally reached Canada last summer. Sharp never appeared violent here, taking his troubles without complaint, assuming that as the representative of Jesus it was his duty to sacrifice himself.

Death Penalty in France

Paris, Dec. 8.—The chamber of deputies today, by a vote of 300 to 201, decided in favor of continuing the death penalty in France.

Winnipeg Civic Elections.

Winnipeg, Dec. 8.—W. Sanford Evans was today elected mayor by about 1,000 majority over R. A. C. Manning. W. S. Eades polled less than 100 votes. The four controllers elected were R. D. Waugh, J. W. Cockburn, A. A. McArthur and J. G. Harvey.

Lake Steamer Aground

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Dec. 8.—The steamer John Stanton, of Cleveland, which went aground on Sunday night on Point Iroquois while bound down, is said today to be in no immediate danger, although she is so fast on the ground that it will be a very difficult job to release her. The crew is not in danger or distress.

Beer Must Have Hops

London, Dec. 8.—A bill prohibiting the use of hop substitutes in the manufacture of beer was introduced in the House of Commons today by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, David Lloyd-George. This bill, which the tariff reformers hail as a protective measure, was read for the first time. In addition to stopping the use of hop substitutes, it prohibits the importation of hops except in bags properly marked.

Fixing Prices of Books

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 8.—The American Publishers' Association has a right to maintain a fixed price for copyrighted books, but has no jurisdiction over the price of uncopyrighted volumes, is the effect of a decision handed down today by the court of appeals in the case of Isadore and N. S. Trauss, of New York, against the American publishers' association. The firm sought to restrain the association from fixing the price of books.

TURKS ARE SECURING AMMUNITION SUPPLY

Negotiate With German Firm—Boycott of Austrian Goods Continues

Berlin, Dec. 8.—The Turkish government is negotiating for the purchase of $1,875,000 worth of shrapnel and infantry ammunition with a German company at Duesseldorf. The small armories of Berlin are unusually busy with the manufacture of army rifles.

Constantinople, Dec. 8.—Marquis Fallavicini, the Austro-Hungarian ambassador, has renewed negotiations with a view of reaching a direct agreement with the porte, but the boycott against Austrian goods has not abated. Today, by instructions of the boycott committee, boats bringing the luggage of passengers from an Austrian steamer were sunk.

Paris, Dec. 8.—The Temps this afternoon publishes a despatch from its Servia correspondent saying that Bulgaria has notified the powers of her willingness to indemnify Turkey in the sum of $16,500,000 for the damages sustained through the Bulgarian declaration of independence.

TRUST COMPANIES MERGE

Shareholders of Dominion and Imperial Approve Consolidation—Buildings to Be Erected

Vancouver, Dec. 8.—The shareholders of the Dominion and Imperial Trust companies have unanimously passed resolutions for consolidation. It is, however, understood that the merger of important and varied financial interests in the west will not end here, and that negotiations for consolidation of the interests of two more companies are under way.

If this movement proves successful the legislature will likely be asked to amend the charter of the Dominion Trust company, and such corporate name will be adopted as may then be determined. Until then the name of the present Dominion Trust company, limited, will be used by the consolidated companies, the Dominion being the older, with a special charter from the legislature. The united companies will have a joint subscribed capital of $750,000, with a paid-up capital of over half a million. They will represent a dozen of the largest and most important life, fire and accident insurance companies.

The Vancouver offices will be in the new Imperial Trust building, part of the contracts for which have already been awarded. In Victoria a handsome new building will be erected upon what is admitted to be one of the best business sites at the capital, the corner of Government street, opposite the post office and the Empress hotel, a site now owned by the Imperial Trust Co. This building will cost over $180,000. The New Westminster offices will be in the present building owned and occupied by the Dominion Trust Co., forming three of the finest office buildings in the west. The personnel of the new board of management will be decided at the first annual meeting of the consolidated companies in January. Meanwhile J. B. Mathers and J. W. Weart will continue the management. The object of the new consolidation is to build up the strongest financial institution in the west.

Castro Not Yet Landed

Antrade, Spain, Dec. 8.—The steamer Gaudaloupe, on which President Castro is a passenger, was not sighted today. It was the president's intention to continue on to Bordeaux. It is now believed that he will change his plans when he learns from the consul that France is arranging to exact an apology from him before he is given permission to land. It is probable that Castro will disembark here and continue on to Berlin, in order to avoid an unpleasant conflict with the French authorities.

LAYS HIS VIEWS BEFORE CONGRESS

President Roosevelt Takes Up Many Subjects in His Last Message

REPEATS MANY OPINIONS

Urges Legislation for Regulation of Corporations and Protection of Labor

Washington, Dec. 8.—Interest in both houses of congress centered today in the president's message, the reading of which began in the senate at 12.15, just a quarter of an hour after the senate had convened, and in the house a few minutes later. The galleries of both houses were well filled, and almost all the seats of senators and members were occupied by their owners. All were supplied with printed copies of the message, which contained 44 printed pages, with an elaborate appendix accompanied by numerous illustrations showing the results of the work of the forestry bureau. Senators and members gave comparatively little attention to the reading of the message at the desk, but most of them immediately busied themselves with the printed copies before them. In these copies much interest was shown.

The message is in part as follows:

The financial standing of the nation at the present time is excellent, and the financial management of the nation's interests by the government during the last seven years has shown the most satisfactory results. But our currency system is imperilled, and it is earnestly to be hoped that the currency commission will be able to propose a thoroughly good system, which will do away with the existing defects.

Corporations.

As regards the great corporations engaged in interstate business, and especially the railroads, I can only repeat what I have already again and again said in my messages to congress. I believe that under the interstate clause of the constitution the United States has complete and paramount right to control all agencies of interstate commerce, and I believe that the national government only can exercise this right with wisdom and effectiveness, so as both to secure justice from and to do justice to the great corporations, which are the most important factors in modern business. I believe that it is worse than folly to attempt to prohibit all combinations, as is done by the Sherman anti-trust law, because such a law can be enforced only imperfectly and unequally, and its enforcement works almost as much hardship as good. I strongly advocate that instead of an unwise effort to prohibit all combinations, there shall be substituted a law which shall expressly permit combinations which are in the interest of the public, but shall at the same time give to some agency of the national government full power of control and supervision over them. One of the chief features of this control should be securing entire publicity in all matters which the public has a right to know, and furthermore the power, not by judicial but by executive act, to prevent or put a stop to every form of improper favoritism or other wrongdoing. The railways of the country should be put completely under the interstate commerce commission and removed from the domain of the anti-trust law. The power of the commission should be made thorough-going, so that it could exercise complete supervision and control over the issue of securities, as well as over the raising and lowering of rates. As regards rates, at least, the power should be summary. The power to investigate the financial operations and accounts of the railways has been one of the most valuable features in recent legislation. Power to make combinations and traffic agreements should be explicitly conferred upon the railroads, the permission of the commission being first gained, and the combination or agreement being published in all its details. In the interests of the public, the representatives of the public, however, should have complete power to see that the railroads do their duty by the public, and as a matter of course this power should also be exercised so as to see that no injustice is done to the railroads. The shareholders, the employees and the shippers all have interests that must be guarded. It is to the interests of all of them that no swindling stock speculation should be allowed, and that there should be no improper issuance of securities. The guiding intelligences necessary for the successful building and successful management of railroads should receive ample remuneration, but no man should be allowed to make money in connection with railroads out of fraudulent over-capitalization and kindred stock gambling performances; there must be no defrauding of investors, oppression of the farmers or business men who ship freight, or callous disregard of the rights and needs of the employees. In addition to this, the interests of the shareholders, of the employees and of the shippers, should all be guarded as against one another. To give any one of them undue and improper consideration is to do injustice to the others. Rates must be made as low as is compatible with giving proper returns to all the employees of railroads, from the highest to the lowest, and proper returns to the shareholders, but they must not, for instance, be reduced in such fashion as to necessitate a cut in the wages of employees or the abolition of the proper and legitimate profits of honest shareholders.

Telegraph and telephone companies engaged in interstate business should be put under the jurisdiction of the interstate commerce commission.

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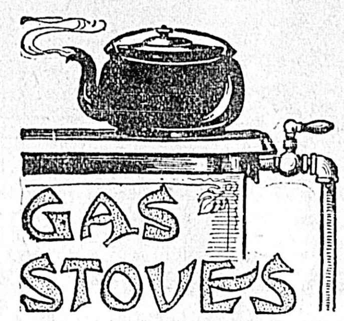

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ORPHANS' HOME HAS SATISFACTORY YEAR

Most Encouraging Reports Are Submitted at Thirty-Sixth Annual Meeting

Excellent reports indicating that the past year has been a most successful and encouraging one in the work of the British Columbia Protestant Orphans Home were submitted at the thirty-sixth annual meeting of the subscribers to that institution held yesterday afternoon in the council chamber at the city hall. There was a good attendance of subscribers and the various reports were received with approval. Charles Hayward, chairman of the committee of management, presided. The meeting was opened by prayer offered by Rev. W. Leslie Clay. An invitation from Mrs. Louisa J. Toller, honorary secretary of the ladies' committee inviting the president and members of the committee to the annual Christmas tree to be given for the inmates of the home on Tuesday, December 29, from 3 to 6 o'clock was accepted with thanks and the committee will attend as requested. A communication from Rev. Mr. Miller, Nanaimo, moderator of the Presbyterian Synod of British Columbia, nominating Rev. W. Leslie Clay as the representative of the Presbyterian church on the committee of management was also read.

Management's Report

The report of the committee of management was read by Charles Hayward and was as follows:

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Today ends the thirty-sixth year of the beneficent work of the British Columbia Protestant Orphans Home. During those past eventful years it has gone steadily forward, with marked success, with its avowed purpose of providing a home for the orphan, destitute and other children, to educate them in the Protestant faith, and instruct them in the elements of secular knowledge, and all this time favored as we gratefully believe with the Divine blessing, its position viewed either financially or otherwise is a source of much satisfaction to those whose generous sympathy, and active support have contributed to this gratifying result. Who can estimate the far reaching and useful effect of those long years of tender oversight and careful training of the host of little ones who have been the objects of its special care, or how much suffering and misery has been alleviated by its kindly operations, or how much happiness diffused.

As will be seen by the annexed report all the internal and domestic management of the home has been entrusted to a committee of ladies whose careful summary of their year's efforts appear therein. In it is manifested amongst other things their continued loving interest in the work and their success in raising needed funds for the support of the home. The committee of management together with all friends of the Society are deeply indebted to these ladies for their economical, onerous, self-denying labors.

Good Financial Position

The hon. treasurer's statement, appended hereto, makes an excellent showing, particularly in the increased amount (over $500) received from annual contributions, and in the addition to a large number of new members to the list of active supporters.

The expenditure for supplies, salaries and general maintenance is practically the same as last year, but a considerable additional outlay has been incurred for repairs and furniture, necessitated by extensive improvements to our sanitary arrangements, which are now believed to be in excellent order. To make them perfect requires an extension of the city sewer to the east of Fourth street, and it is hoped that the civic authorities will soon see their way to make this necessary and useful extension. The increased amount paid out for fire insurance is due to the fact that the premiums are payable every three years, and most of them fell due during the current term. In reviewing our financial position, our friends should kindly remember that nearly all the annual contributions have just been received, and that until next year's collections are made, the funds on hand will be immediately required for current disbursements, and are barely sufficient for three months' operations.

At the commencement of the year, business engagements compelled Mr. E. Crow Baker, who had been hon. treasurer for many years, to relinquish that position. Your managers regretted very much to lose Mr. Baker's services, which had been of great advantage to the institution. As empowered by the bylaws, your committee then elected Mr. Bernard S. Heisterman to this vacant office, who has since faithfully discharged its onerous duties.

Your committee in closing, desire to acknowledge the kindly appreciation of their labors that have at various times been accorded to them, and sincerely hope that similar sympathy and prompt generosity may be extended to their successors.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the committee of management.

CHAS. HAYWARD, President.

Rev. Mr. Miller, referring to the above report, expressed pleasure in the increase in the number of subscribers which indicates the growing interest being taken in the work of the home and the thanks of the members are due, he felt, to those who so energetically canvassed the city with such beneficial results. The several committees were entitled to the greatest praise for their earnest work, particularly the ladies' committee, the members of which have ever shown their keen interest in the welfare of the home and the inmates thereof.

Work of the Ladies

The report of the chairman of the ladies' committee, read by Mrs. Toller, was as follows:

Gentlemen,—In presenting our annual report our hearts are filled with a sense of deep thankfulness as we review the work and events of the past year, in which, seasons of shadow and perplexity, have but intensified the sunshine as it has come to us in so large a measure during the months which have intervened since our last report. Well attended meetings, and the faithful discharge of duties connected with our work all testify that the welfare of the Home and the benefit of the children are very dear to every member of this committee.

Early in the year we mourned the loss of our esteemed secretary, Mrs. Berridge, whose faithful work and deep interest in the Orphanage will long be remembered by us with gratitude. To our sorrow, also, two of our bright children passed away from us to the "Home for little children, above the bright, blue sky," notwithstanding the best and kindest of hospital care and treatment. The Home now contains 38 little inmates, 20 boys and 18 girls, one having during the year been adopted as a member of a luxurious and happy home circle.

The three great annual events of the Orphanage, viz., the Christmas tree, pound party and chrysanthemum show, all proved very enjoyable and satisfactory occasions. Owing to previous illness, Christmas, 907, was of a more private nature than usual, but proved an exceedingly happy and delightful time to the children, whose hosts of friends and well-wishers, not forgetting how essentially this glorious festival is the children's by right, showered upon them turkeys galore, plum puddings, fruit, candy and all sorts of gifts, their Christmas tree being a wonder of beauty and delight.

Affairs Proved Success.

The "Pound Party" was a memorable and successful event, owing to the wonderful generosity of friends, whose thoughtfulness again filled to overflowing the store rooms and larder with necessities and even luxuries for the delight of the children and the cash donations amounted to $55.10, which were most gratefully received. As we record the successful issue of the recent chrysanthemum show, which netted the substantial sum of $236.65, we feel great indebtedness to all who attended and to those who in so many and varied ways came to our assistance, rendering this event so enjoyable. We desire to express hearty thanks to the following musical organizations, who on these occasions, have cheered and enlivened us by their sweet music: Messrs. Longfield's orchestra, the City band, and the Plow wright Mandolin orchestra. In a measure we have thanked those ladies and gentlemen who during the year have added so much delight and happiness to the lives of the little ones in the Home by automobile drives, picnics, garden parties and entertainments and we desire yet again gratefully to record the kindness of Mrs. McLaren, Mrs. Henry Croft, Mrs. Matson, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Newton (Oak Bay), 24th May celebration committee, Agricultural Exhibition committee, the Trades and Labor Council, and the Anti-Tuberculosis committee through Mrs. B. Tye for invitation to attend the fair, an excellent tea and the means of enjoying the many delights offered there.

We, as members of the committee, as also our matron, Mrs. Kay, feel it impossible adequately to thank Dr. Holden for his skilful and gratuitous professional services so faithfully rendered, sparing neither time or trouble in order to benefit the children and keep them in health; to him, and to Dr. Lewis Hall, for professional services so freely and willingly rendered, we desire to offer very grateful thanks.

Generous Assistance

We have received so much assistance and kindness from the following city churches and societies, who, from time to time have remembered the needs of our large family by donating most liberal gifts of cake, bread and all kinds of dainty delights. The teachers and officers of the Centennial church Sunday school, the ladies' aid societies of the Congregational, Presbyterian, Baptist and Anglican churches, also from fraternal orders and societies, the Y. M. C. A. and the Jubilee hospital, to whom our sincere thanks are expressed. We are also much indebted to friends from Salt Spring Island, Cedar Hill, Craigflower, Duncans, Saanich and lake districts, as also to numerous ladies and gentlemen for very acceptable and generous gifts of fruit, vegetables and other necessities which form so important a part of needed and healthful varieties of diet. We have remarked with great pleasure, the increasing interest evinced by children in their little friends cared for at the Orphanage, and the recent delightful gifts of fruit, candy, clothing, etc., presented by Miss Penwell and her very kind, little kindergarten pupils, was a gift which brought great pleasure to those for whom they were intended, and the sincere thanks of the committee. Our generous friend, whom we have termed "the fairy god-father" of our little ones, Mr. Tony Silveni, has earned our deepest thanks, his gifts are so constant, so generous and varied, that we sometimes wonder how

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Captain Amesbury Ill

Vancouver, Dec. 8.—Captain Amesbury is very ill in the hospital, and will undergo an operation.

For Stealing a Launch

Vancouver, Dec. 8.—Edward Boyd, of Seattle, and Geo. Delaire, of Everett, were today sentenced to three and two years, respectively, for the theft of a launch from Vancouver a month ago. They took it to Everett, where they tried to sell it.

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LAYS HIS VIEWS BEFORE CONGRESS

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It is very earnestly to be wished that our people, through their representatives, should act in this matter. It is hard to say whether most damage to the country at large would come from entire failure on the part of the public to supervise and control the actions of the great corporations, or from the exercise of the necessary governmental power in a way which would do injustice and wrong to the corporation.

I believe that the more far-sighted corporations are themselves beginning to recognize the unwisdom of the violent hostility they have displayed during the last few years to regulation and control by the national government of combines engaged in interstate business. The truth is that we who believe in this movement of asserting and exercising a genuine control in the public interest over these great corporations have to contend against two sets of enemies, who, though nominally opposed to one another, are really allies in preventing a proper solution of the problem. There are first, the big corporation men and the extreme individualists among business men, who genuinely believe in utterly unregulated business—that is, in the reign of plutocracy—and, second, the men who, being blind to economic movements of the day believe in a movement of repression rather than of regulation of corporations, and who denounce both the power of the railroads and the exercise of the federal power which alone can really control the railroads. We do not object to the concentration of wealth and administration, but we do believe in the distribution of the wealth in profits to the real owners, and in securing to the public the full benefit of the concentration administration.

We believe that with concentration in administration there can come both the advantage of a larger ownership and of a more equitable distribution of profits and at the same time a better service to the commonwealth. We believe that the administration should be for the benefit of the many, and that greed and rascality practiced on a large scale should be punished as relentlessly as if practiced on a small scale. We do not for a moment believe that the problem will be solved in any short and easy method. The solution will come only by pressing various concurrent remedies. Some of these remedies must lie outside the domain of all government. But there is legislation which the federal government alone can enact, and which is absolutely vital in order to secure the attainment of our purpose. Many laws are needed. There should be regulation by the national government of the great inter-state corporations, including a simple method of account keeping, publicity, supervision of the issue of securities, abolition of rebates and of special privileges. There should be short time franchises for all corporations engaged in public business, including the corporations which get power from water rights.

There should be national as well as state guardianship of mines and forests. The labor legislation hereinafter referred to should concurrently be enacted into law. To accomplish this means of course a certain increase in the use of but not the creation of power by the central government. The power already exists, it does not have to be created. The only question is whether it shall be used or left idle, and meanwhile the corporations over which the power ought to be exercised will not remain idle. The danger to America democracy lies not in the least in the concentration of administrative power in responsible and accountable hands. It lies in having the power insufficiently concentrated so that no one can be held responsible to the people for its use.

Labor

There are many matters affecting labor and the status of the wage worker to which I should like to draw your attention, but an exhaustive discussion of the problem in all its aspects is not now necessary. This administration is nearing its end, and moreover, under our form of government the solution of the problem depends upon the action of the states as much as upon the action of the nation. Nevertheless, there are certain considerations which I wish to set before you which I hope that our people will more and more keep them in mind.

Very much of this movement must be outside of anything that can be accomplished by legislation, but legislation can do a great deal. Postal savings banks will make it easy for the poorest to keep their savings in absolute safety. The regulation of the national highways must be such that they shall serve people with equal justice. Corporate finances must be supervised so as to make it far safer than at present for the man of small means to invest his money in stocks. There must be prohibition of child labor, diminution of woman labor, shortening of hours of all mechanical labor, stock watering should be prohibited and stock gambling, so far as possible, discouraged. There should be a progressive inheritance tax on large fortunes. Industrial education should be encouraged.

The above is the merest sketch, hardly even a sketch in outline, of the reforms for which we should work. But there is one matter with which the congress should deal at this session. There should no longer be any paltering with the question of taking care of the wage workers, who, under our present industrial system, become killed, crippled or worn out as part of the regular incidents of any given business. The majority of wage workers must have their rights secured for them by state action, but the national government should legislate in thorough-going, far-reaching fashion, not only for all employees of the national government but for all persons engaged in inter-state commerce. The objects should and could be achieved to a measurable degree, as far as these killed or crippled are concerned, by proper employers' liability laws. I renew my recommendation that the principle of the eight hour day should as rapidly and as far as possible be extended to the entire work being carried on by the government.

The Courts and Injunctions.

I most earnestly urge upon congress the duty of increasing the totally inadequate salaries now given to our judges. On the whole there is no body of public servants who do as valuable work, nor whose moneyed reward is so inadequate compared to their work. Beginning with the supreme court, judges should have their salaries doubled. It is earnestly to be desired that some method should be devised for doing away with the long delays which now obtain in the administration of justice, and which operate with peculiar severity against persons of small means, and favor the very criminals whom it is most desirable to punish. These long delays in the final decisions of cases make in the aggregate a crying evil, and a remedy should be devised. Much of this intolerable delay is due to improper regard paid to technicalities which are mere hindrances to justice. In some noted recent cases this over-regard for technicalities has resulted in a striking denial of justice and flagrant wrong to the body politic. At the last elections certain leaders of organized labor made a violent and sweeping attack upon the entire judiciary of the country, an attack couched in such terms as to include the most upright, honest and broad-minded judges, no less than those of narrower minds and more restricted outlook. It was the kind of attack admirably fitted to prevent any successful attempt to reform abuses of the judiciary, because it gave the champions of the unjust judge their eagerly desired opportunity to shift their ground into a championship of just judges who were unjustly assailed.

Last year, before the house committee on the judiciary, these same labor leaders formulated their demands, specified in their bill, refusing all compromise, stating that they wished the principle of that bill or nothing. They insisted upon a provision that in a labor dispute no injunction should be issued against employees except to protect a property right, and specifically provided that the right to carry on business should not be construed as a property right. In a second provision their bill made legal in a labor dispute any act or agreement by or between two or more persons that would not have been unlawful if done by a single person. In other words, this bill legalized blacklisting and boycotting in every form, legalizing for instance, those forms of the secondary boycott which the anthracite coal strike commission so unreservedly condemned, while the right to carry on a business was explicitly taken out from under that protection which the law throws over property. The demand was made that there should be trial by jury in contempt cases, thereby most seriously impairing the authority of the courts. All this represented a course of policy which, if carried out, would mean the enthronement of class privilege in its crudest and most brutal form, and the destruction of one of the most essential functions of the judiciary in all civilized lands. The violence of the crusade for this legislation and its complete failure illustrate two truths which it is essential our people should learn. In the first place, they ought to teach the workingman, the laborer, the wage worker, that by demanding what is improper and impossible he plays into the hands of his foes. Such a crude and vicious attack upon the courts, even if it were temporarily successful, would inevitably in the end cause a violent reaction, and would band the great mass of citizens together, forcing them to stand by all judges, competent and incompetent alike, rather than to see the wheels of justice stopped. A movement of this kind can ultimately result in nothing but damage to those in whose behalf it is nominally undertaken. The power of injunction is a great equitable remedy which should on no account be destroyed. But safeguards should be erected against its abuse. I believe that some such provisions as those I advocated a year ago for checking the abuse of the issuance of temporary injunctions should be adopted. In substance, provision should be made that no injunction or temporary restraining order issue otherwise than on notice, except where irreparable injury would otherwise result, and in such cases a hearing on the merits of the order should be held within a short fixed period, and if not then continued after hearing, it should forthwith lapse. Decisions should be recorded immediately and the chance of delay minimized in every way. Moreover, I believe that the procedure should be sharply defined and the judge required minutely to state the particulars both of his action and of his reasons therefor, so that congress can, if it desires, examine and investigate the same.

Interstate Fisheries.

I call attention of congress to the importance of the problem of the fisheries in the interstate waters. On the great lakes, we are now, under the very wise treaty of April of this year, endeavoring to come to an international agreement for the preservation and satisfactory use of the fisheries of these waters which cannot otherwise be achieved. Lake Erie, for example has the richest fresh water fisheries in the world, but it is now controlled by the status of two nations, four states and one province, and in this province by different ordinances in different counties. All these political divisions work at cross purposes, and in no case can they achieve protection to the fisheries on the one hand and justice to the localities and individuals on the other. The case is similar in Puget Sound. But the problem is quite as pressing in the interstate waters of the United States. The salmon fisheries of the Columbia river are now but a fraction of what they were 25 years ago, and what they would be now if the United States government had taken charge of them by intervening between Oregon and Washington. During these 25 years, the fishermen of each state have naturally tried to take all they could get, and the two legislatures have never been able to agree on joint action of any kind adequate in degree for the protection of the fisheries. At the moment the fishing on the Oregon side is practically closed, while there is no limit on the Washington side of any kind. Meanwhile very few salmon reach the spawning grounds, and probably four years hence the fisheries will amount to nothing. The fisheries of the Mississippi, the Ohio, and the Potomac are also in a bad way. For this there is no remedy except for the United States to control and legislate for the interstate fisheries as part of the business of interstate commerce.

Ocean Mail Lines.

I again recommend the extension of the Ocean Mail Act of 1891, so that satisfactory American ocean mail lines to South America, Asia, the Philippines and Australia may be established. The creation of such steamship lines should be the natural corollary of the voyage of the battleship fleet. It should precede the opening of the Panama Canal. Even under favorable conditions several years must elapse before such lines can be put into operation. Accordingly I urge that congress act promptly where foresight already shows that action sooner or later will be inevitable.

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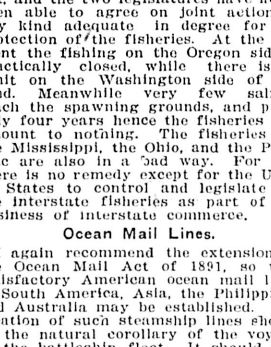

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I call particular attention to the territory of Hawaii. The importance of those islands is apparent, and the need of improving their condition and developing their resources is urgent. In recent years industrial conditions upon the islands have radically changed. The importation of coolie labor has practically ceased, and there is now developing such a diversity in agricultural products as to make possible a change in the land conditions of the territory so that an opportunity may be given to the small land owners similar to that on the mainland. To aid these changes the national government must provide the necessary harbor improvements on each island so that the agricultural products can be carried to the markets of the world. The coastwise shipping laws should be amended to meet the special needs of the islands, and the alien contract labor law should be so modified in its application as to enable American and European labor to be brought thither. We have begun to improve Pearl harbor for a naval base and to provide the necessary military fortifications for the protection of the islands, but I cannot too strongly emphasize the need of appropriation for the purposes of such an amount as will within the shortest possible time make these islands practically impregnable. It is useless to develop the industrial conditions of the islands and establish there bases of supplies for our naval and merchant fleets unless we insure, as far as human ingenuity can, their safetly from foreign seizure.

The Navy.

I approve the recommendations of the general board for the increase of the navy, calling especial attention to the need of additional destroyers and colliers, and, above all, of the four battleships. It is desirable to complete as soon as possible a squadron of eight battleships of the best existing type. Nothing better for the navy from every standpoint has ever occurred than the cruise of the fleet around the world. The improvement of the ships in every way has been extraordinary, and they have gained far more experience in battle tactics than they would have gained if they had stayed in Atlantic waters.

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THE JUBILEE COLONIST.

On Sunday next the Colonist will issue its Jubilee number. It will consist of 124 pages, but it is not too late to add pages if advertisers demand the space. Persons who desire copies of this issue to send away will do well to leave their orders at the business office as soon as possible. It is better not to wait until after the paper has been issued.

The paper will be largely historical, dealing with the development of British Columbia during the last half century. It will contain a great deal of matter descriptive of the province as it now is, but especially of Vancouver Island. It will be profusely illustrated. We think that we can say with confidence that it is the finest special issue ever printed by any newspaper in America. This is a large claim, but we think it will be borne out by those who examine the paper critically.

It may be that some advertisers, who have not already taken space in this issue, will wish to be conspicuously represented in this historic publication. Years from now it will be a standard work of reference. The interest attaching to the advertisements appearing in the Colonist of the first year of its publication is even greater than the interest attaching to the news. We offer the business men of Victoria, the men who are making the city what it is and what it is to become, an exceptional opportunity to hand down their names to posterity. The large circulation which the Jubilee Edition will receive will make it an exceptionally good advertising medium. Order for space and copy to fill it ought to be sent in as early as possible.

SOME DISCLOSURES.

The evidence that is being brought out in the Cassels inquiry is not in any way sensational, but it is very interesting because it discloses a condition of things which ought never to have grown up and which ought to be rendered impossible hereafter. There have been few instances of great misappropriation of public funds. Possibly there have been very few small instances even which could be so characterized, using the expression in its criminal sense. Over-charges are very numerous, and there seems to have been little or no attempt to see that the government was not being compelled to pay unduly for goods sold or services rendered. The departmental officials, who are under fire, in some cases have come out of the test with credit to themselves; but the instances where presents to considerable amounts have been given and lines of credit have been extended with apparently no intention of collecting the money are many. Let us take one or two of them:

A Halifax hardware firm sold the Department of Marine and Fisheries a great many goods. In a few instances the sales were made after the acceptance of tenders, but in most cases they were bought as needed by the officers of the Department. The head of the firm frankly said that he charged the government ten per cent. in advance of his ordinary retail prices. He denied having given officials anything, but admitted that one of them had a running account with his firm, which had never been presented and upon which nothing had been paid. Another instance was the case of the Dominion steamship Lady Laurier. A salvage firm had paid her captain $100 for notifying them of the position of the Mount Temple wreck, and they justified the payment by saying that they always paid persons who gave them valuable information. Whatever may be the ethics on this point, there can hardly be any doubt that the payment of $400 to the captain for the use of the Lady Laurier for towing, while the government received nothing at all for her services, can hardly be excused. It appeared that the underwriters also gave the master and crew of the ship a bonus. These things seem to have been done as a matter of course. None of the parties had the least hesitation in telling all about them, nor seemed to be under the impression that there was the least taint of wrongdoing in connection with them. In other words the men do not appear to have been personally dishonest, but only to have been following out a vicious system.

Apparently the whole Department has been permeated by this indefensible practice. It is hard sometimes to distinguish between what officials might legitimately take and what they might not. For example there does not seem to be anything very greatly astray in a contractor sending an official a box of cigars at Christmas, especially when the men have been personal friends. Standing by itself there would be nothing out of the way in a transaction of that kind. A man does not have to sacrifice all his personal friendships simply because he happens to be dealing with a government and one of his friends has something to do with his accounts. We do not suppose that any one would find any particular fault with such a transaction as has just been mentioned, and it was one brought out in the investigation at St. John, any more than one would object to a contractor extending the courtesy of his home to a government official. But when it comes to money payments, even if they are disguised as loans, and accounts left uncollected year after year, there can be no doubt that there is something very rotten in Denmark. It is perfectly idle for officials to say that such gifts or loans or unpaid accounts had no influence upon them. No man can be uninfluenced by such things. The safest rule for a government official is to keep himself, as Caesar's wife ought to have been, above suspicion.

There is an aspect to the case which has not yet been touched upon and presumably it is not within the scope of the commission to Judge Cassels. It was brought out in the examination of one of the Halifax men, who got exceptional profit on his goods, that in many cases he obtained the orders for them through the Liberal members for the city. Now it is not suggested that these members participated in the exceptional profit, for they probably did not, but it would be exceedingly interesting to know just what the fortunate merchant contributed to the campaign fund. A man, who received ten per cent. in advance upon his retail profits, might very easily subscribe that amount to the fund and yet be carrying on a very profitable business. This branch of the subject will have to remain a matter of surmise, but we venture to believe that if one should say that a considerable part of the expenses of the Liberal candidates in Halifax was met out of these excessive profits, he would not be very far wrong. The whole business is a very serious one.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

President Roosevelt begins his last message to Congress by telling the members that while the financial condition of the country is excellent, the currency system is imperilled, and he advises legislation to remedy existing defects. He reasserts the "complete and paramount right" of the United States government to control all the agencies of inter-state commerce; protests that the Sherman anti-trust law is of very little service and asks Congress to place the railways absolutely under the control of the Inter-state Commerce Commission. He asks for the prohibition of "fraudulent over-capitalization and other stock-gambling devices." He asks for legislation to protect shareholders, employees and shippers. He also purposes that the telegraph and telephone companies shall be put under the control of the Commission. He devotes considerable space to a plea for "asserting and exercising genuine control" over all the great corporations, and in the course of his observations speaks of "the rule of plutocracy," an expression which we do not suppose has ever before occurred in a state document. He admits that his proposals contemplate the concentration of power in the hands of the federal government; but claims that this will involve no departure from existing principles which prevail in the administration of the country. He advocates the establishment of postal savings banks in which wage-earners can deposit their money in safety. He wants to see child labor prohibited, woman labor greatly diminished, and the hours of all labor shortened. He recommends a progressive inheritance tax and the encouragement of industrial education. He does not expect this programme to be carried out at the present session of Congress, but he urges that steps shall be taken at once to provide for the proper recompense of those who are injured while engaged in their lawful work for employers and of their families in case an employee is killed.

The President thinks that the United States judges are not in receipt of sufficient pay and he urges that their salaries shall be doubled. He wants practice in the courts so amended that "intolerable delays" because of technical points shall be no longer possible. He declares himself opposed to the abolition of the injunction and the trial of contempt cases by a jury, and says that if no effect were given to these demands it would mean "the enthronement of class privilege in the crudest and most brutal form and the destruction of one of the most essential features of the judiciary in all civilized lands."

He urges the conservation of the countries natural resources, more especially the forests, and calls for the improvement of the inland waterways. "The time for playing with our waterways is passed. The country demands results." He pleads for the adequate protection of the fisheries of the country.

He declares that the government is behaving towards other nations "as in private life an honorable man would behave towards his fellows." He asks Congress to assist in the building up of a commercial marine on the Pacific ocean. He reports that everything appears satisfactory in the outlying territories of the United States, wants to see the army rendered more efficient, the state militia to be put on a more effective basis and boys encouraged to go in for military training. He favors the enlargement of the fleet.

The Message is a notable one, and is certainly exceedingly outspoken. That the President is a sound statesman and withal a courageous one has been made more apparent. It is true that he is soon to retire from office and will not be called upon to carry out the reforms which he proposes; nevertheless it requires courage and sagacity to grapple with great problems as he has.

The Kaiser does not like being muzzled. But it had to be done. He was in danger of inoculating others with his political rabies.

The Colonist can assure all and sundry that it has displayed no impatience whatever because of the fact that the affairs of the Department of Inland Revenue are still administered by Mr. Templeman.

The Canadian Courier in a reference to Mr. Templeman, says that among other things, he introduced lobsters into British Columbia waters. It was not the lobsters in the water of the sea that rendered him unpopular. No, not those lobsters.

There is the best of reason for believing that the influx of immigrants from the United States to Western Canada during the present winter and next spring is going to assume vast proportions. British Columbia is likely to get a goodly share of the newcomers.

The Police Commissioners have taken a very proper step in the matter of vindicating the department under their supervision against charges reflecting upon it by challenging investigation. Such policy cannot fail to have a salutary effect, whatever be the developments in the situation thus created.

A very annoying error occurred in an article in the Colonist of yesterday. The word "not" was inserted in a line after the proof had been corrected, and the paper was made to say that we were all agreed that the land forces of Canada ought not to be put in an efficient condition. Of course, the contrary was what was meant, as would appear from the context.

The Board of Trade at Nanaimo has heartily endorsed the proposal to form an Association to deal with all the commercial interests of the Island. We are extremely pleased that this is the case, and trust that other centres on the Island will take similar action. In Mr. J. W. Coburn, the Nanaimo Board of Trade has named a delegate splendidly fitted to approach the matter in a sympathetic and intelligent spirit.

Surely New Westminster is one of the most fortunate cities on the continent. In Mr. Keary it has a mayor who has rendered such excellent service and is withal so popular that he has just been elected by acclamation for the seventh consecutive year. This is no less complimentary to the people of the Royal City than to Mayor Keary, for it is not every city that "knows a good thing when it has it."

The intellectual preference seems to be working splendidly. In the British House of Commons the other day Sidney Buxton, postmaster general, replying to a question said that the Canadian magazine post instituted last May was fully realizing the object for which it was instituted. He estimated the increase yearly in publications sent from the United Kingdom to Canada at some 6,000,000 copies, this increase being the greatest in high-class magazines.

The Toronto Mail and Empire puts it this way: "Minister Templeman has resigned, and Sir Wilfrid Laurier has accepted his withdrawal from the Cabinet with alacrity. If Mr. Templeman had been true to his own province it would not have come to this. It was because Mr. Templeman sacrificed British Columbia on behalf of Sir Wilfrid that he lost his seat in Parliament and his position in the Cabinet."

The City Council is taking the right course in regard to a campaign of publicity. It will finance the Tourist Association through the month of January and take up the question of future aid at another time. We suggest that those, who are specially interested in the publicity campaign, might reach some conclusion as to what can be done in a private way, for we fancy that if individual citizens show a disposition to help the work, the City Council will the more readily co-operate.

"By all means let Judge Cassels go to Vancouver, if they want him. A simpler way, however, would be dismiss the whole staff of the Marine Department, and put it on the men themselves to prove they ought to be taken back." No, dear reader, this is not the observation of "some rabid Tory organ," but emanates from such a staunch supporter of the Laurier government as the Montreal Herald, and, by the way, we find it reproduced in another "dyed-in-the-wool" Liberal paper, the Halifax Chronicle.

Canada's disposition to exercise her treaty-making powers is not viewed with complete favor in high quarters in England. Thus the London Times, commenting on the speech made by Mr. J. J. Hill at the New York Chambers of Commerce banquet, says every commercial arrangement, such as that which Canada in the just pursuit of her own interests is even now discussing with France, must prove to some extent an obstacle in the knitting and consolidating of the commercial systems of the kindred nations beneath the flag.

Germany's view in respect to the situation in the Balkans differs from that of Great Britain, France and Russia, in that, while the latter Powers are firm in holding that all of the signatories to the Treaty of Berlin must approve of the annexation of the Turkish provinces before that act can become effective, it intends to stand faithfully by Austria-Hungary. This was the declaration of Chancelor Von Buelow in the Reichstag on Monday, and is one which may easily prove a stumbling block at the International conference which is to be held shortly.

In the bye-election at Chelmsford, Eng., made necessary by the retirement of Sir Carne Rasch, owing to ill-health, the Asquith government suffered another disastrous defeat. Captain Pretyman, Conservative, running in one of the Middlesex Divisions, was victorious over A. H. Dence, the Liberal candidate. At the election of 1900, Sir Carne had a majority over his Liberal opponent (Mr. C. S. Henry), of 3,129, and at the last general election Mr. A. H. Dence reduced this majority to 54. The Liberal candidate was absent from the constituency for several months, and did not have time to perfect his organization. The Liberals fought the campaign on Free Trade and Old Age pensions. Mr. Pretyman advocated fiscal reform.

The latest addition to the local fleet of the Canadian Pacific Railway—the Princess Charlotte—will be here in a few days, completing her long voyage from her builders' yards on the Clyde. Some communities which are more demonstrative in their enthusiasm at events which mean much to them, would seize the occasion to arrange a little demonstration of welcome. How would it do for us to unbend a trifle when the Charlotte arrives and make some small effort to show her officers and the Canadian Pacific Railway that we are proud to welcome to our port a craft which is reckoned to be the finest and fastest of her type in the waters of this continent? The Princess Charlotte ought to have a Christmas present and Victoria ought to give one to her. How would a nice silk name flag do?

In a lecture before the Society of Arts in London a few days ago, Sir Hiram Maxim took the British nation to task for its small interest in aerial machines. He reproached it for being behind other first-class European powers in progress towards a solution of this form of locomotion. "Does any one doubt for a moment," said he, "that in case we find ourselves at war with a continental power flying machines will be used for bombarding English towns, both on the coast and inland? The city of London within a year's time can be attacked without our enemy's needing to fear the boasted British fleet. Vast sums of money are about to be expended on flying machines by all first-class governments. Thus is now presented to wealthy men who are able to risk money an opportunity such as occurs only once in a century. For my part I mean to devote the rest of my life to the task of putting England abreast of other nations in this most important development of science in the twentieth century."

The Dominion immigration officials who have been entrusted with the task of ascertaining the wishes of the Hindus in this province, relative to the proposal that they should emigrate to Honduras, will be displaying the part of wisdom if they refrain from any act calculated to annoy them. It does seem that the little unpleasantness which occurred at Vancouver on Monday might have been avoided by greater tact. The Hindus seem to have got it into their heads that there is a "conspiracy" on foot to drive them out of British Columbia. Everyone knows that this is not the case. We have yet to learn that anybody has objected to their presence here save on the ground that they are obviously placed in an environment to which they are not suited. It ought to be explained to them that they are welcome to stay here as long as they wish, if they do not become a public charge owing to their inability to get employment. All who have the interests of the Empire at heart will, we are sure, be indisposed to commit any act which might have the effect of embarrassing the government of India at a time of grave crisis in that great dependency.

An agitation has just been set afoot in London which may with profit be extended to America. A thorough investigation into the nature and moral influence of the present-day variety show performance is asked for. A committee has been formed to press the matter, and in an interview the other day one of the members said: "Things have been going from bad to worse for a long time," declared one of the members of the committee, who apparently had made up his mind beforehand. "We have allowed all kinds of license to what the Americans call 'nerve thrillers' in daredevil acts which are continually becoming more dangerous. Thousands of English mothers take their children to these nerve-racking matinees every week, and then wonder why they lose their sleep and their appetites. There have been cases of children being taken out of theatres in a fainting condition, after an experience of one of these 'great American attractions,' or of somersaulting automobile 'stunts' or tight rope feats in which disaster is intentionally simulated. All this permanently affects any normal child's mind. We must clear it out of London. I have no doubt that the same conditions exist in other large cities with the same results. One of two things must be done. Either a statute must be passed forbidding admission to variety shows of all children under the age of 15 years, or else a municipal committee must be appointed to judge from the standpoint of the juvenile mind, every so-called attraction which offers itself in our theatres."

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The curtain section offers you the handsomest assortment of new curtains in the town. Many charming and exclusive patterns are offered; in high, medium and low priced varieties.

There isn't a home-keeper anywhere who wouldn't appreciate a pair of dainty curtains as a Xmas gift.

Then, too, you'll find close by, the rugs and carpets and linens and cushions—Oh! lots of gift suggestions. Just come on up to the second floor—you won't be disappointed.

NEW ARRIVALS IN SILVER

Good Things to "Give"

Such a wealth of new things in Silver! We have just unpacked some charming new pieces in these lines—pieces especially desirable as gifts, because silver gifts of good quality are always much admired.

A stroll through our Siverware department will be a revelation to you—you'll be surprised at its completeness and the great variety of gift pieces shown. No better time to come than NOW. Here are four of the new lines:

SILVER TEA SET—A four piece set of excellent design and workmanship throughout. We have this style in either bright or satin finish. The price is right at **$18.00**

SILVER BAKE DISHES—A great line of these now. The new arrivals are very attractive. Prices show a great choice and surely include "your price." We have them at $11.00, $10.00, $9.00, $8.00 and **$7.50**

SILVER CAKE DISHES—How does a price range such as this suit you? Remember, too, that these are from the largest makers of silver-plate in the world. Each $9.00, $7.50, $7.00, $6.00, $5.00, $4.50 and **$4.00**

SILVER SOUP TUREENS—Two very choice styles in these. The higher priced style is an uncommonly fine one, though the $9.00 is worthy also. Two new styles at $13.00 and **$9.00**

Just See What a Lot a Dollar Buys Here

The most popular counter on the first floor is the "Dollar Table"—a table upon which we have placed an assortment of dainty gift things offered at one dollar. And it is surprising what a grand choice there is. Some really fine Gift pieces are to be found there and these pieces would not seem out of place in the assortments offered at double the price in most shops.

We planned this splendid value table long ago and bought for it. A dollar is a popular price and this is a most popular table. Come in and get acquainted with it.

GIFTS FOR MEN

Where is there a store that holds so many "good things for gifts" that men would appreciate? Outside of wearing apparel, and men folk prefer to buy that themselves, we believe we have just about the grandest assortment of suitable gift pieces in the city.

Don't imagine that furniture gifts are the only sort we offer. Though the furniture department is prepared with an unusually fine display, we want to call your attention to other lines you may see on our first floor. The list below gives a hint to this show. Dozens, yes, hundreds, of other articles are to be found. "Come on in" and see some.

See the Government Street window.

SHAVING SETS **$1.25**
MATCH STANDS .. .. **75¢**
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SHAVING BRUSHES, from .. .. **50¢**
TOBACCO JARS **$1.00**
INK STANDS **$4.00**
ELECTRIC PORTABLES **$5.00**
SILVER MOUNTED STEINS **$7.50**

New Drop-Leaf Tables

We have just put into stock some splendid new Tea Tables—the drop leaf kind. Many people will know them better as "The Pembroke Gate Leg Table." These tables are made in our own factory, and in the "Weiler Way."

Round tops, 36 in. in diameter and finished mahogany. A very serviceable table and an excellent article to send some homekeeper as a little Xmas token of esteem. The price is the only common thing about it. Each **$10.00**

Clever Magazine Cabinet Styles

Three prices on some swell Magazine Cabinets. Stunning designs in Early English finished Mission Cabinets. Cleverly designed and finely made. Some have writing desk and some cabinets—all have shelves, of course.

Prices represent excellent values. Suitable gift things for either lady or gentleman. $17.50, $14.00 and **$10.00**

New Parlor Furniture Here Today

We yesterday marked some new arrivals in parlor furniture. The arrivals include some very fine chairs and settees. Artistic in design with coverings in harmony. Still more Xmas Gift Suggestions. See them.

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NOTE AND COMMENT

The Right Rev. Dr. Cosmo Gordon Lang, Bishop of Stepney, who had been elected to the bishopric of Montreal and a few days later appointed to the Archbishopric of York, wrote under date of November 14, to Very Rev. Dean Evans, of Montreal:

Dear Mr. Dean,—Your will already have received the letter, which I sent explaining my cablegram. Since that letter was despatched I have had other cablegrams and letters, and visits from such eminent Canadians as Lord Strathcona. I have been profoundly touched by all that I have heard of the proceedings in the synod and by the striking earnestness and apparent unanimity of the call you have addressed to me, a call which seems to be supported by citizens as well as churchmen, and by men belonging to other communions than my own. A man would have a heart of stone who did not feel not only moved, but drawn by such an appeal; and I therefore honestly give my decision the most earnest reconsideration. But further thought and further advice from those who had the right to give it to me confirmed my previous judgment that all my experience, thought, opportunities, existing responsibility seemed to indicate that I must continue my work in England. Last week this judgment seemed to be confirmed by the, to me, wholly unexpected offer of the Archbishopric of York, which will be vacant at the end of the year. If I had felt that my real call was to work abroad, I think I should have been strong enough to obey it. But since my real feeling was that there was work for me in England, which had primary claim, this offer seemed only to confirm it. I have, therefore, accepted it; and my decision to your most generous and tactful offer must remain.

It has been a time of much anxious thought and prayer. I can only trust and pray that my decisions have been right. Pray, tell the synod that I shall always regard their token of confidence as one of the greatest honors of my life; that it will bind my heart in a very special way to the fortunes of the church in Canada; and that I will join my prayers to theirs that a bishop may be sent to them able to use and guide their high ideals for the future of their church. Believe me, yours sincerely,

C. G. STEPNEY.

P. S.—I had hoped to have been able to send this letter sooner but I was unable to run the risk of mentioning the fact about the Archbishopric of York until it had been publicly announced.

The Nelson News makes a very neat and complete reply to the insinuation of the Victoria Times that the patronage list is worked by the Provincial Government to as great an extent as practiced by the Federal administration. We quote:

The Victoria Times in bewailing the exposures at Quebec and St. John in the marine and fisheries department, suggests that in the matter of patronage the provincial government of B.C. is just as bad as the Dominion. Where, asks the Times, is there an instance in this province of any but supporters of the government obtaining government jobs. Well, as far as Nelson is concerned one would not have to go very far or hunt very closly for a very fair instance of just what the Times scornfully desires to be shown. Mr. W. G. Gillett, is a pronounced and active Liberal, yet, because Mr. Gillett's tender was the lowest and generally was a satisfactory one, his bid for the erection of the courthouse in this city, the building of which is just about completed, was accepted by a Conservative government at Victoria. No one will pretend that Mr. Gillett is on the patronage list in B.C., if there is one, and as a matter of fact it was asserted at the time the contract for the court house was let that a determined effort was made to obtain the job for some of the faithful at higher rates than Mr. Gillett's offer, but as every one now knows, without avail. Had the job been let in Quebec or St. John, judging from what has appeared in the Cassels enquiry, the contract would have gone only to a supporter of the government. It has been clearly proved that deals for much larger amounts than the cost of the Nelson courthouse were put through without any tender at all and, of course, only given to those on the patronage list. The suggestion offered by the Times was not a happy one.

It is very creditable to the press of Canada that with but few exceptions, it has not succumbed to the "yellow" supplement craze, which obtains to such a great extent on the other side of the line. The Boston Herald has thrown out this section of its Sunday edition, and its action has called forth nothing but praise from the newspapers of the Dominion. Thus the Windsor Record says:

Other of the leading press will doubtless follow suit, and a vulgar, if not positively harmful, newspaper feature will in a short time disappear. As a rule, the comic supplement is not only an artistic monstrosity, but a misnomer—if ever it had any humor it has none now, while its moral tone grows worse. Nothing of late years has done more to sap parental and pedagogic authority and sow in the minds of children disrepect and contempt for their elders. The colored supplement may have amused for a brief space, but now it only disgusts persons of taste and degrades the ideals of youth.

There are many seven-day morning newspapers in the United States, and this ought to be, one would imagine sufficient for the reading public. But no. To satisfy what he conceives to be a demand for a better news service, Frank A. Munsey, the well known New York publisher, announces that he will publish a Sunday afternoon paper in Washington.

"I believe in doing new things," explained Mr. Munsey at his apartment in Sherry's. "I want to give the people of Washington the first and only straight seven-day afternoon newspaper in this country. The advertisers are greatly interested in the plan. You see, Washington has four Sunday newspapers, and the Sunday newspapers of New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore are also dumped in upon it. When these are finished with the reading public will turn to my afternoon paper. All news which is ten hours old is finished with in this country today. Religious news will naturally occupy a fair sized part of the paper. The church services and sermons and news from other cities and continents comes ticking in all Sunday morning and early afternoon. The Sunday edition, like the week editions, will have no supplements, not even a special article. It will be a regular one-cent paper, from 16 to 24 pages, containing the news of the world during the last twenty-four hours. The size of the average Sunday paper is appalling and objectionable."

FORTY YEARS AGO

The British Colonist, Wednesday, Dec. 9, 1868.

The Ball.—The second subscription ball at the Alhambra last night was largely attended. His Excellency and Mrs. Seymour, as anticipated, were present. The music was excellent, and the new polka, called the "Subscription Polka," arranged for the occasion by Mr. Bushell, was much admired. Dancing was kept up to a late hour.

Grist Mill.—Although Bunster's grist mill has not been running regularly, it has turned out twenty tons of first-class flour during the past month. The flour was all made from island grown wheat.

The more we look at the list of the appointed members of the Legislative Council, the more inclined we are to believe that there is nothing to hope for from the deliberations of that august body during the approaching session. Instead of fulfilling the Liberal pledge which Governor Seymour gave when assuming control of the united colonies two years ago—to liberalize and popularize the only legislative body in the colony so that he might govern the colony according to the wishes of the people—we find that he has failed to call about him one gentleman who represents either of the three larger classes of our taxpayers. To the government we would say: Do either one thing or the other; be either liberal or illiberal. Don't oscilate between the two. Make your choice and stick to it; but let us have no more hypocrisy.

ABOUT PEOPLE

The four-act opera "Tess of the D'Urbervilles," which Mr. D'Erlanger has set to music from a libretto composed by the Italian librettist Signor Illica, has been produced at the Teatro dal Verme, Milan. It achieved a great popular success. The opera, the London Chronicle says, abounds in pleasing airs, and is full of life and color. The airs in the opening act, sung respectively by Angel Clare and Tess, were loudly applauded. Mr. Frederick D'Erlanger is an English composer. "Tess" was produced for the first time in April, 1906, at the San Carlo Theatre, Naples, but the premiere unfortunately coincided with the last great eruption of Vesuvius, which caused such a panic in Naples, and led to the closing of the theatre.

During the last few months Germany has lost two of her most remarkable men. The death of Herr von Lucanus, Chief of the Emperor's Civil Cabinet, has been followed by that of Graf Huelsen-Haeseler, who held a similar position on the military side. The fact that the fate of every officer in the German army was in his hand made him the most powerful personage in the country. It is believed that had Germany been plunged into war during his lifetime the count would have received a high command in the field.

Miss Hilda Trevelyan, speaking at the O. P. club dinner on the future of the drama, said that it lay in the hands of women, who were going to throw off the mask. Up to now men had so presented women in the drama that women had been amused, and had not had the heart to undeceive them. The things they made women do in drama so that men might do better! The holes they pushed women into so that men might lift them out! And women had pretended that it was all just so. Women now had decided to tell the truth about women in the drama. Incidentally that would mean telling the truth about men; so of course they would have the police put upon them.

At a Dover dinner the other day Mr. G. Wyndham told some amusing stories. One was about an Irishman who, when asked why three Dublin clocks in sight of each other all differed, replied: "Sure, what would be the use of having three of them if they all told the same time?" Another story, concerned with local patriotism, was of the Scotchman taken to America and forced to inspect Niagara. He replied: "For grandeur there is nothing like it, but for queerness I once saw a peacock with one leg at Peebles." Alluding to the forgetfulness of plumbers, Mr. Wyndham said: "A friend went to see a funeral at Pere la Chaise. After the cortege had arrived and everybody had descended from the sable-hued carriages they all sat down on the tombstones and commenced to smoke their pipes. He went up to one of them and said: 'Why isn't the funeral going on?' The man replied: 'I'll tell you why; this is the funeral of the president of the plumbers' association and they have sent a boy back for the corpse.'"

Frieda Lonsby, a little Wellingborough girl, sent the following letter to the King on his birthday: "38, Newcoman Road, Wellingborough. My dear King—Being only five years of age, I did so want my dada to let me send you a card, and I hope you and our dear Queen will live to see a good number of years.—Your loyal subject, Frieda Lonsby." To this a letter has been sent from his Majesty's private secretary, thanking the girl on behalf of the King for her kind message of congratulation.

Fits of Passion.

There is many a young mother who admires secretly the little outbursts of anger that baby gives vent to and things they are funny and cute until by the time the child is two or three years old she awakes to the sad realization that her baby has grown into a wilful and spoiled child who is thought anything but lovable and cute by other people. She then begins to see what lack of discipline has done for the baby. Every mother, out of justice to the child as well as to herself, should check these outbursts of anger when the child first shows an inclination to indulge in them. But when the mother finds that the outbursts have taken a firm hold on the child and seem to occur periodically she should set about the tedious task of overcoming them. The little one should be punished, but her will must not be broken by repeated "spankings," for these seldom fail to give the child a moody, sulky disposition. It takes time and patience to effect a cure. The best cure for these fits of anger is to shut the child in a room by itself whenever they occur. A particularly successful method of making a naughty child good is to divert its attention from unpleasantness. Children often have as much to make them irritable and cross as a grown person, and when a mother notices that a child is fretful it takes but a minute to find an unused toy or a new book or to suggest a new and interesting occupation that will brighten the child's mood and prevent an outburst of anger before the child was aware of its existence.

BRITISH OPINION

Tsu Shi, the Empress-Dowager, has only survived the Emperor a few hours. The death, says the Standard of the de facto ruler of China, as she might also be called, does indeed close the career of an august ruler. She has left her mark on the Celestial Empire, which within the many years during which her will has been supreme has witnessed startling developments. For some years past we have heard of impending reforms in the Constitution. Only a few months ago edicts were issued providing for the convocation of provincial assemblies, and ultimately of a parliament, besides holding out more or less vague hopes of other steps in the direction of what a decade earlier would have been regarded a revolution in the system of government. Yet it may be doubted if this, any more than previous declarations, really indicated a definite departure from the traditional policy of the Manchu dynasty. Behind all these new developments, however, it has not been hard to discern the stress laid on two guiding principles. China is for the Chinese, and the Central government, temporise as it may, does not intend to allow reform to be forced upon it from below. Whether under a new Emperor China will begin to awake in earnest is a question which even those who have studied Far Eastern problems earnestly may hesitate to answer.

The Standard of Empire:—In the important interview which a representative of The Standard had with Lord Milner on the eve of his return from Canada there is one passage bearing on the relation of Imperialism to the flow of capital which appears to us of more than ordinary interest. In one of his speeches while in Canada and again in the interview referred to, Lord Milner pointed out that in the future the newer countries of the world who are competing with one another sternly, strenuously and keenly for facilities in the older markets will enter into the severest of all possible competitions for any surplus capital that may be available. The Argentine Republic, Brazil and the South American countries generally, will bid hard against Canada, Australasia and South Africa for any loose wealth seeking profitable investment. The development of all these countries calls for considerable capital outlays to build and equip railways and harbors, build towns, and finance suitable industries. At the present time these new countries are all on an equal footing with regard to facilities for disposing of their exports in the world's markets, except, of course, in so far as one country may possess geographical advantages of which she cannot be deprived. In these circumstances, and the demand for capital for investment being much greater than the available supply, this capital is distributed between the various countries in such proportions as will produce the largest aggregate return. If Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa should be given a relatively advantageous position in supplying the needs of the largest market of the world; if, that is, by tariff favors or advantageous commercial arrangements the self-governing oversea states are able to sell their goods in the home market more easily than their competitors, profits greater than the return to be expected from capital investments in South America may quite reasonably be expected from our oversea states. There will, therefore, be a deflection of the stream of capital seeking foreign investment from foreign countries to within the Empire. The contrast between the supply and demand of capital here and in the rest of the Empire is clearly stated by Professor Marshall, who recently resigned the Chair of Political Economy in Cambridge, in the memorandum on the Fiscal Policy of International Trade, just issued as an Imperial Parliamentary Paper. He there says: "Capital is abundant in England, and she has few openings in which it can be made to yield a high return. Her colonies are thirsty for capital, and they have vast openings in which it can be made to yield a very high return." A position of definite advantage in our home market is all that is needed for securing to the Empire a larger share of the world's capital seeking investment and for promising to the capitalist himself a better return than is at present open to him.

Lord Milner's argument is weighty, and his conclusion convincing. During recent years the flow of capital from this country is estimated to have reached 150 millions sterling annually. We believe that by far the greater part of these enormous sums has found investment in foreign countries, assisting them in building up and developing their agricultural industries and transport systems in competition with our own oversea states. Recently a loan guaranteed by the Canadian government was issued in London, but proved so far unacceptable to the British public that nearly 90 per cent. of the issue was thrown back on the underwriters. The moral of this experience might easily be exaggerated; there were other known causes capable of explaining the phenomenon in large measure. Whatever the explanation, however, the fact remains that a similar issue by, say, Argentina would have, and has always, been taken up with avidity. The arrangement which Lord Milner and all Imperial Preferentialists ardently favor would reduce the possibilities of a repetition of this experience to a minimum. The oversea states will find themselves readily and abundantly supplied with cash for all purposes which modern civilization and industry and up-to-date cities require. Their populations are growing rapidly, their wealth is increasing steadily, and their standard of comfort is everywhere rising. They are at present hampered and embarrassed by lack of liquid capital sufficient to supply all these proper needs. The mines and waterfalls which exist in superabundance in Canada and Australia are practically unexplored. To develop these, new railways will be required, new cities will be erected, and an immense quantity of mining and power machinery will be needed. The longer we wait the more firmly established will the relative industrial position of South America and Japan become, and the more difficult will be the efforts of our own oversea states to overtake them. Any step or steps which the government of this country take by improving the cable or shipping communications of the Empire, by improving the commercial representation of each part of the Empire in the rest of the Empire, and, above all, by granting preferential tariff advantages to one another, must give British states a substantial advantage over foreign competitors in each other's markets. The fertilising stream of capital will then be naturally diverted to build up the British Empire strong and secure in every quarter of the globe.

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Such notice to be published in the British Columbia Gazette, and in one newspaper published in the district affected, and if no such newspaper is published therein, then in a newspaper in the next nearest district in which a newspaper is published.

Such notice shall be continued in each case for a perod of at least six weeks, during the interval of time between the close of the last session of the house and the consideration of the petition.

No petition is received by the House after the first ten days of the session, nor may any private bill be presented to the House after the first three weeks of the session, nor may any report of any committee upon Private Bill be received after the first four weeks of the session.

This rule may only be suspended upon motion following a report of the Private Bills Committee, and if suspended, double fees are payable. Eight clear days before the first day of the session the applicant is to pay to the clerk, the House fees, and deposit at the same time two hundred copies of the bill, a copy of the petition duly signed, and a copy of the published notices. The failure to comply with the above necessitates the payment of double fees.

Before any petition praying for leave to bring in a Private Bill for the erection of a Toll Bridge, is received by the House, the person or persons intending to petition for such bill shall, upon giving the notice prescribed by the rules, also at the same time and in the same manner, give notice of the rates which they intend to ask, the extent of the privilege, the height of the arches, the interval between the abutments or piers for the passage of rafts and vessels, and mentioning also whether they intend to erect a drawbridge or not, and the dimensions of the same.

All Private Bills for Acts of Incorporation shall be so framed as to incorporate by reference the clauses of the General Acts relating to the details to be provided for by such bills: Special grounds shall be established for any proposed departure from this principle, or for the introduction of other provisions as to such details, and a note shall be appended to the bill indicating the provisions thereof in which the General Act is proposed to be departed from. Bills which are not framed in accordance with this rule shall be re-cast by the promoters and reprinted at their expense before any committee passes upon the clauses.

All Private Bills shall be prepared by the parties applying for the same, and printed in small pica type, twenty-six ems by fifty ems, on good paper, in imperial octavo form, each page when folded measuring 10¾ by 7½ inches. There shall be a marginal number every fifth line of each page; the numbering of the lines is not to run on through the bill, but the lines of each page are to be numbered separately. If amendments are made to any bill during its progress before the committee or through the House, such bill shall be reprinted by the promoters thereof.

By new Rule 65A, passed on the 2nd April, 1901, (see Journals, 1901, page 58), a model form of Railway Bill is adopted and must be used.

By 65B all bills to incorporate or amend bills incorporating railway companies are to be drawn in accordance with the Model Bill.

The provisions contained in any bill which are not in accord with the Model Bill shall be inserted between brackets.

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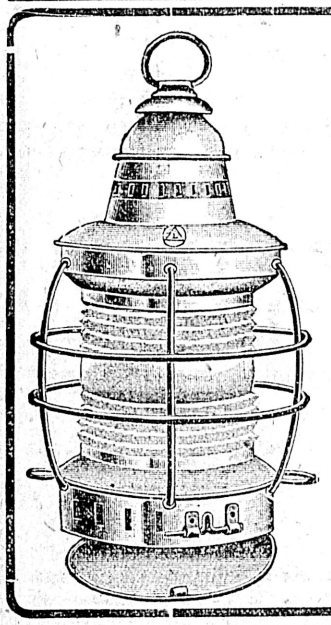

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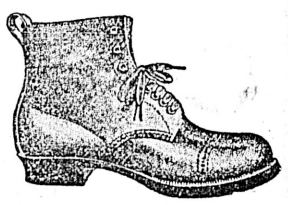

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NEWS OF THE CITY

Will Erect Dwelling

A building permit was yesterday issued by the building inspector to W. J. Hatch who intends erecting a dwelling on Caledonia avenue to cost $1,000.

Anglican Young People

The association will hold its regular meeting tonight in St. John's hall at 8 o'clock. Bishop Perrin will address the meeting on "The Preface to the Prayer Book."

License Board Meets

The quarterly meeting of the License Board will be held this afternoon at the city hall, when a number of applications for transfers of licenses will be considered.

Lecture on Invalid Cookery

Miss Hall, an English lady, will lecture on Invalid Cookery before the young ladies' club in the lecture room of Metropolitan church. Miss Hall is a graduate of a school of Domestic Science.

Parks Board Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Public Parks Board will be held next Wednesday evening when the year's work will be wound up and a few routine matters attended to. This meeting will probably be the last held by the present board.

Civic Health Good

At present the city health is reported to be exceptionally good. There are but eight cases now confined at the Isolation hospital, six of scarlet fever and two of diphtheria. For two weeks preceding last Friday not a case of infection or contagious disease was reported to the city health department.

Bad Road Causes Trouble

Several complaints have been made of the disgraceful condition of the road leading from Fisguard street to the city scales at the rear of the market building. The heavy waggons sink to the hubs in the soft roadway and no less than three rigs were caught yesterday, much trouble being experienced before the captive waggons were released.

Clergymen Change Charges

Bishop Perrin has arranged that the Rev. Wilmot Baugh Allen shall, at the beginning of the New Year, take charge of the parishes of St. Paul's, Esquimalt, and of St. Mary's, Metchosin, while the Hon. the Rev. T. R. Heneage, M. A., will take charge for a time of the parish of St. Mark's. Rev. Mr. Allen will remove to St. Paul's Rectory at Esquimalt.

Christmas Dinner Fund

The Y. M. C. A. secretary acknowledges the following subscriptions: Mrs. Truran, $1.00; Mrs. Tuff, $2.00; Mr. W. Ralph, $1.00; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Gillespie, $5.00; First Baptist Sunday School, $10.00; Baraca class, $5.75; St. Barnabas Sunday school, $3.35; St. Columba Sunday school, $3.10; St. Andrews Sunday school, $35.00; A Friend, $1.00; Ross Bay Sunday school, per A. J. Woodward, $1.15. The subscription list will remain open until the 18th inst. at the Y.M.C.A. and Sunday school scholars are reminded that all gifts should be handed in next Sunday.

Board of Trade Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Board of Trade will be held at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. In the usual notification calling this meeting, special emphasis is laid upon the two following paragraphs: It is considered necessary to decide at once upon a plan for extensively advertising Victoria city next year, in order that the benefits of the work already done may not be lost. A full discussion is desired and you will oblige by making a special effort to attend this meeting. Quorum: At the last monthly general meeting complaint was made that so much time is lost in waiting for a quorum. It is hoped in future to open the proceedings punctually on time, which on this occasion will be 3 o'clock."

No Decision Yet Forthcoming

As yet the city council has delivered no decision as to what action it intends taking regarding the recent complaints made by William Neal against the alleged unsanitary condition of the premises at the corner of Fort street and Quadra street owned by Dr. Morrison and occupied as a Chinese wash-house. Recently the council held an inquiry into the question of whether the wash-house constitutes a nuisance. Much evidence was taken and the inquiry was then adjourned in order that the council might consider the facts adduced at the hearing. In the meantime Mr. Neal is complaining that his peace of mind and enjoyment of life continue to be assailed by reason of the presence of the offending wash-house.

The Mock Parliament

The Mock Parliament meets this evening at 8 o'clock. Ald. Gleason, the minister of lands and works, gives notice of his intention to introduce a bill to authorize the raising of a loan to the extent of $5,000,000, for the purpose of aiding in the construction of railways and of other public works in this province. Two particular railway projects are mentioned: (1) A road which is to be built from the city of Victoria up the west coast of Vancouver Island as far as Fort Rupert, a distance of about 300 miles, and (2) A road from the city of Vancouver along the west coast of the mainland and touching Howe Sound, Jervis, Bute, Knight and Rivers Inlets, a distance of some 400 miles; also the bridging of the Seymour Narrows, which shall not involve the expenditure of an amount exceeding $1,000,000 is also contemplated. This act can be cited as the British Columbia Public Works Loan Act of 1908.

More Trouble for Bota

Still more trouble has been occasioned in the Hindu colony by the irrepressible Bota Singh, who has figured on several occasions in the police court, hailed thither by his offended fellow countrymen. Yesterday Bota appropriated $10 in cash and a war medal, the property of Rala Singh. The two Hindus, along with ten others of the same nationality, are living in a shack near the water front at the foot of Discovery street. Bota, it is alleged, delved into the box of Rala when the latter was absent and purloined the valuables. Constable Hastings made a search of the place and discovered the missing money and token of Rala's prowess as a warrior, secreted beneath the former's bed. Rata expressed much surprise that his fellow countryman's money and medal should be discovered in his bed, and claimed that he could give no explanation. He is now in the cells and will have an opportunity of airing his theory of the flight of Rala's property from the latter's box to his bed, to the magistrate this morning.

THE WEATHER

Meteorological office, Victoria, B. C., at 8 p. m., December 8, 1908:

SYNOPSIS.

Low pressure from the ocean is causing general rainfall throughout British Columbia and the north Pacific states and snow has fallen at Atlin. East of the Rockies the pressure is low in Alberta and Saskatchewan and only moderately high in Manitoba; light snowfall has occurred at Qu'Appelle and Winnipeg but the weather is fair in most districts.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	42	50
Vancouver	39	45
New Westminster	38	42
Kamloops	28	40
Atlin	24	28
Dawson, Y. T.	2 below	14
Calgary, Alta.	6	28
Winnipeg, Man.	6	14
Portland, Ore.	40	48
San Francisco, Cal.	44	52

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific Time) Wednesday:

Victoria and Vicinity: Northerly or easterly winds, partly cloudy and mild with showers today or Thursday.

Lower Mainland: Light or moderate winds, chiefly cloudy with showers and not much change in temperature.

TUESDAY.

Highest	49
Lowest	42
Mean	45

Rain, .34 inch.; sunshine, 1 hour, 74 minutes.

TIDE TABLE

Victoria, B.C., December, 1908.

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The time used is Pacific Standard, for the 120th Meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The figures for height serve to distinguish High Water from Low Water.

The height is in feet and tenths of a foot, above the average level of the lowest Low Water in each month of the year. This level is half a foot lower than the datum to which the soundings on the admiralty chart of Victoria harbor are reduced.

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Close—Dec. 4, 13.
Due—Dec. 16.

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Close—Dec. 1, 9, 15, 18, 25, 29, 30.
Due—Uncertain.

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Close—1, 8, 14, 15, 22, 28.
Due—Dec. 1, 5, 10, 12, 18, 25, 28, 31.

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Due—Dec. 1, 10, 20.
Due—Dec. 5, 18, 27.

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Pays Dividend on Estate

B. S. Heisterman, trustee of the estate of Green, Worlock & Co., is paying the dividend of 10 per cent in his own office, 1207 Government street today.

Will Present Plays

Tonight the Boys' auxiliary of the Christ church cathedral will present two playlets, "The Black Barber," and "The Great Pumpkin Case." Great preparations have been made by the boys, who are well up in their parts, and the evening's entertainment promises to be most enjoyable. The orchestra composed of pupils of E. G. Wickens will contribute materially to the evening's entertainment.

OBITUARY NOTICES

Brown

The remains of the late James Brown were laid to rest yesterday afternoon at Ross Bay cemetery. The funeral took place from the residence of his son, Mr. J. G. Brown, at 2 o'clock. Religious services were conducted by the Rev. Dr. Reid, assisted by Rev. D. McRae, at the house and grave. There were many floral offerings. The pallbearers were: W. H. Dempster, Mayor Hall, Wm. Henderson, John Jardine, M.P.P., Alex Hendry, J. M. Malcolm.

Grant

The funeral of the late Gordon Fraser Grant took place yesterday from the family residence, Douglas street. Services were conducted at the house and at Ross Bay cemetery by the Rev. S. J. Thompson and Rev. Baugh Allen and were largely attended by friends of the deceased and his family. Beautiful floral offerings testified the respect of a large circle of friends. The pallbearers were Capt. Gaudin, J. K. Rebbeck, Fredk. Davey, M.P.P., Duncan Grieve John Taylor and Frank Adams.

The tug Hope, of the Sayward mills, which stranded at Dodd's narrows when going north with supplies for the logging camp at Powell lake, and was floated by the salvage tug William Jolliffe, was hauled out on Turpel's ways yesterday for repairs. After striking the tug listed and partially filled. She was pumped out and floated by the crew of the William Jolliffe, and towed south.

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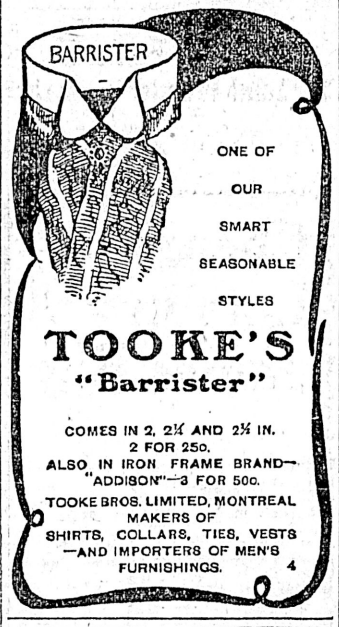

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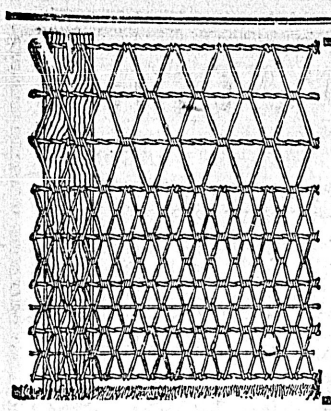

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CHINESE EDITOR ON RESULTS OF MISSION

Li Sum Ling Believes Japanese-American Treaty Will Aid China

Li Sum Ling, the editor of the Chinese Mail or Wah Tse Yat Pao, of Hongkong, a vernacular newspaper with circulation of about 70,000, arrived in Victoria by the steamer Princess Victoria last night and was met by a party of local Chinese, headed by Lee Mong Kow, whose guest he is pending the sailing of the R.M.S. Empress of Japan for his home in Hongkong. After proceeding to the Empress hotel the party was driven to the Chinese quarter, where a banquet was tendered the visitor. Other entertainments are planned to make his stay pleasant. He left Hongkong on June 7, and since has traveled around the world, journeying in India, Egypt, England and the countries of Europe and in America, where he worked with the object of interesting the people of the United States in an alliance between the republic and China. At Vancouver he had an unpleasant experience, being delayed by customs officers until an appeal was made to the collector of customs and he was freed from detention.

His Business Discussed.

In an interview with a Colonist reporter Li Sum Ling said he had worked as a Chinese patriot to interest the people of the United States in an alliance with China which would allow of the peaceful development of the big empire. No other nation it seemed cared to take issue with Japan, the self-constituted ruler of Asia. Japan had made treaties and agreements with Great Britain, with France, Russia and Germany, and now an agreement had also been made with the United States; but these agreements were really understandings that no nation was to precede the other in securing a share in the riches of China, riches which will be increased when peaceful development allows the nation to advance.

"After the war with Russia," said the Chinese editor, "Japan looked upon herself as having reached such a dignified position that she had a right to dictate the policy of the entire Asiatic continent for herself. The speech of Count Okuma at Kobe, in which he spoke of Japan's opportunities in England—a speech which naturally aroused much criticism in England and elsewhere—announced the policy which many Japanese hold secretly, "Asia for the Japanese." When this policy was made known it was applauded by the whole Japanese nation, and since then many books have been written by Japanese writers pointing out their ideas as to the best methods of absorbing China. Japanese are looking forward to a time coming when they can attain this object. They would like to have China in a position such as Korea now is, so that if China sent an envoy abroad, as the Koreans did, no nation would listen to the representative for fear of offending Japan.

Japan in China.

It is not generally known about the world how Japan is acting in China. There are, scattered throughout China, thousands of Japanese, dressed as Chinese and pretending they are Chinese, Buddhist priests from Japan are spread throughout some of the southern provinces without any treaty rights existing which gives this privilege, and the whole attitude of the Japanese disguised as Chinese and as missionaries is to bring situations into being which give Japan the excuse to demand the control of further areas of Chinese territory. What is happening in Manchuria is known to the world. Japan gave out that she was seeking to drive Russia from Manchuria. But what benefit has the driving out of Russia been when the Russian is supplanted by the Japanese whose rule is harsher than that of the Russian?

"I have no ill-feeling against the Japanese," he said, "but as a patriotic Chinese it is my duty to protest against any movement that menaces my country; and, when I see the way in which Japan is working I am glad that I have worked during by tour to the end that an alliance, not a warlike alliance, but an agreement under which China will be left to the peaceful development of her resources, might be secured. As soon as I announced this object opposition was begun at once at Tokio. The result, however, has been that a situation was created which necessitated the Japanese giving a statement of their intentions to the Washington government. It is well known to those who have looked beneath the cover that the United States called upon the Japanese government for an avowal of policy with regard to China and commerce in the Pacific ocean, and the recent entente is the outcome. At a speech which I delivered at Chicago, when I was invited to address the association of the chambers of commerce of that city, noticing the Japanese consul-general among those present I made plain my feelings in this regard. In the Japan Times, which as is known is an official newspaper, published by Japanese, though it appears in the English language, it was stated on August 10th, following the cablegrams being received in Tokio regarding my mission, that it would be a dangerous policy for the United States to make any alliance with China. I took issue with that statement and do not consider it in any way dangerous for the Republic to help China on the way to progress.

Taft's Policy

"Hon. W. H. Taft, the newly elected president of the United States, in an interview I had with him before election, said that he would object to any tactics by any nation to keep China in any position in which she could be imposed upon. He stated then that what influence he could bring to bear would be used to help China on the way to progress. He looked upon the prospect of China's development as likely to greatly increase the trade of the United States. Canada will share alike in any such trade movement. He takes no stock in the pet phrase of the William of Germany, 'the Yellow Peril,' for he seems to realise, as not all people do, that China is a peaceful nation and not warlike.

"China is on the eve of great changes. The recent happenings at Peking, the death of the late Emperor and Empress Dowager and the enthronement of Pu Wi, the young Emperor who is but three years of age, with his father, Prince Chun, as regent, will do much, in my opinion, to hasten the progress of China. The change will mean an advancement of the reform movement and more speed in the advancement of the nation. Many questions which affect China today will settle themselves when the development of the country reaches a further stage. We have now modern colleges in China, we are building railways and developing mines. In one province alone according to German engineers, there is coal enough to supply the world for three thousand years. Today, newspapers are issued in every city of importance and news which would have taken months, often years, to reach some districts, is now transmitted as quickly throughout the great country as in many other parts of the world. Happenings of world history are circulated in quick time, and the China of today is no longer the China in which it was possible for a foreign country to be invading the north while the south was unaware that there was a war.

"Education is what is needed most, and when the Chinese people are educated to the need of modern progress the advance will follow quickly. There is an element of the younger Chinese, clever young men too, who are trying to hurry matters a little too much perhaps, but there are many sober, hard-thinking Chinese who are guiding the development in a good manner. If no overt act is made to develop a situation which will cause strife and give the excuse for the nations to again invade the empire, as one country seems striving to do, China will become a strong nation and a factor in the commercial development of the world.

"With this development the time will come when extra territorialty—those foreign settlements set on the coast of China—will pass. When, with the assistance of the nations, the laws of China shall be modified and arranged similarly to those of western countries, and those laws shall be properly enforced, the foreign nations will deal with China as they do with other nations. The foreign settlements will then pass away as a result of the changed conditions. This will not come for many years, but it will come eventually. The changed conditions following the development will also benefit trade in the Pacific, for as the education proceeds throughout the vast empire—and few people grasp how vast it is—there will be an ever increasing demand for the articles of the west.

"When that time does come I think you will find Chinese merchants ready to enter into the trade, Chinese steamers ready to strive for their share of the carrying business. Before I left Hongkong a scheme was put forward for the formation of a Chinese national steamship company, to be capitalized by popular subscription, and deputations were sent to wherever Chinese were found in any number to seek support for the project. What progress has been made I have not been informed, for since I left last June I have been giving my sole attention to the political situation rather than commercial happenings.

"I think my journey has been successful, for, if no other result has been accomplished I have drawn attention to the necessity of maintaining a statu quo in China, and that, I take it, is one of the objects of the recent entente between the United States and Japan. The agreements between Japan and the powers with which arrangements have been made, it seems to me, will stand to protect China, for Japan cannot take any action in China without the consent of the powers in question."

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TRADE IN LUMBER WILL BE BRISK

J. W. Coburn, Nanaimo Mill Proprietor, Predicts Improvement

"The lumber trade of British Columbia is going to become more brisk next spring," said J. W. Coburn, a lumber merchant of Nanaimo, at the King Edward yesterday.

Mr. Coburn said that the recent slump in the price of lumber affected no point outside Victoria. The conditions this fall were in no way similar to those which confronted the mill owners this time last year. Then there were logs being sold at a sacrifice owing to the danger of destruction by teredos. At present, however, there were comparatively few available. Already there were indications of a stiffening in prices elsewhere and he predicted that there would be a sharp raise within a few months.

The foreign market, Mr. Coburn stated, regulated the lumber trade of British Columbia, and the prospects were that the demand for the product from outside points would be heavy during the forthcoming year. And then it was likely that much lumber would be sold in the northwest, to an extent that would influence local conditions as the coast mills supplied over half of what was sold there. The other portion went to the interior companies.

In and around Nanaimo Mr. Coburn averred business generally was looking up and the prospects were rosy. The construction work on the E. & N. railroad west coast extension had stimulated commerce in the Coal City and throughout the adjacent sections. Merchants and the people generally were looking to the future with confidence. This effect was strengthened by the fact that laying rails on the line connecting the South Wellington Coal mining property with Coal harbor would begin at an early date. The steel already had arrived. It was thought that when the road was completed the increased amount of business transacted would be most beneficial to the whole of that portion of Vancouver Island.

CHRISTMAS STAMPS TO BE SOLD EVERYWHERE

Dr. Fagan Initiating a Vigorous Campaign on Behalf of Sanitarium

Dr. Fagan has started a province-wide campaign in aid of the new sanitarium at Tranquille, and yesterday was making preparations for sending out quantities of Christmas stamps such as met with such success at the recent Anti-Tuberculosis bazaar.

The stamp which is being sent out varies somewhat from the one sold here, which was designed specially for local use. It bears on it a semi-recumbent female figure, which is depicted as trying to rise from a couch to look at the rising sun, an emblem of hope. The whole is artistically executed and well conceived.

Dr. Fagan is sending out letters to every town and hamlet in the province soliciting aid in pushing the good work. A copy of the circular follows:

Dear Sir,—Herewith I enclose a supply of Christmas stamps just issued by the society with the object of contributing to the support of indigent patients at the Tranquille sanitarium. The price is one cent and the stamps are intended for complimentary attachment to letters and parcels during the festive season, and I shall feel greatly obliged if you will distribute them for sale in responsible hands and induce storekeepers to exhibit them prominently in shop windows. Exact account should be kept of the number sold and the cash and unsold balance returned to this office immediately after Christmas.

As the issue is conducted by the accountant who will require exact returns in order to balance the account I would beg you to give special attention to this detail.

The idea originated in Europe under royal patronage and was developed by the National Red Cross society to great advantage during the late war.

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Yesterday, Mr. Smith and his counsel, Wm. C. Moresby, were summoned before his worship, and the affair completed with due formalities. The accused was asked if he had anything to say, and warned that he need not reply, but that if he did it would be taken down and used against him at his trial. Mr. Smith said he had nothing to say, and in lieu of being committed in the ordinary way he was, with the consent of J. A. A. Aikman, who appeared for the prosecution, bound over in his own recognizances to appear for trial at the next assizes. His bonds were placed at $1,000.

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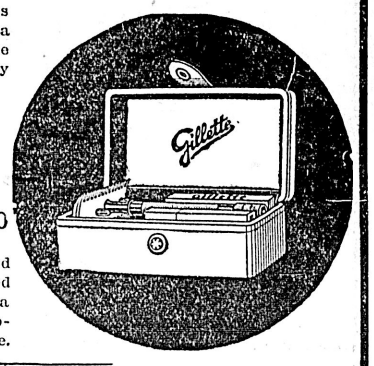

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HERE AND THERE

The subject of prison reform is occupying a very large share of attention in these days. Experiments are being made in England which tend to the reformation of men convicted of crime who are not depraved. In Ontario, J. J. Kelso is doing splendid work among neglected children. A great effort is being made to establish juvenile courts in most of the cities of Canada. The necessity for providing children who have been convicted of offences against the law with employment and keeping them away from evil companions is being recognized everywhere. In the city of Denver, Colorado, much more than this is attempted, and a great deal has been done to help and save boys whose wrongdoing is chiefly the result of a bad environment. In Ontario there is a strong effort being made to bring about a reform in the treatment of prisoners of all kinds. It is said that in most of our penal institutions the idea of making the inmates better is altogether lost sight of. In almost every case the criminal who has undergone a sentence is a worse instead of a better member of the community than he was before he was detected and punished. The attitude of society towards the released criminal is criticized. He is looked upon, it is said, with a suspicion which makes life unbearable and which irresistibly drives him back to evil companions. All this applies with even greater force when the criminal is a woman. For her the upward path, difficult for all, is almost impossible. The question of prison reform is beset with difficulties. That punishment must be sufficiently severe to deter those who are weak from entering upon evil courses is apt to be forgotten by kind-hearted people who only think of its effect upon the wrongdoer. But even more difficult is the treatment of the criminal who has paid his debt to the law. A recent writer implies that the duty of society is to treat such an one as if he had always been innocent. This the law does. Yet every one must admit that without some system of probation this attitude upon the part of society is impossible. Long ago it was said that "the way of transgressors is hard," and human nature has not changed in the centuries that have passed since then. The confidence whether of society or of individuals, once forfeited, is hard to regain. Try as we may, we cannot trust the offender as though he had never done wrong until he has again proved himself worthy of confidence. Human nature being what it is, this must be a slow and painful process. While no effort on the part of society should be spared to uplift and to save those who have committed crimes, while every needless suffering and degradation should be spared the wrongdoer, yet it must be remembered that pain and suffering have their uses. There is a danger and a very grave one that all who have to do with the education of young people will learn to look upon serious evils lightly. Already the disclosures that are being made by the Cassels inquiry show that the public conscience of Canada has been corrupted. It is indeed, a sad thing that one fellow being should find the upward path beset with hindrances or closed against him altogether. It is a far sadder thing that thousands are blinded to the dangers that lie before them. Let us do all we can to bring back those who have gone astray, but let us not forget that there is laid upon us the duty of keeping the innocent in the right path.

MILTON

Today is the three hundredth anniversary of the birth of the poet Milton. There are not as many of us as there ought to be familiar with his writings, but how great an influence they have had over the lives of English-speaking peoples the wisest of men cannot estimate.

John Milton was born on December 9th, 1608, in London. His father was a well educated and accomplished English gentleman who, because he had become a Protestant, was disinherited by his father. To earn his living he adopted the profession of a scrivener. His mother was a Welsh lady, Sarah Caston. Very early Milton showed signs of his wonderful genius. He tells us that "My father destined me from infancy to the study of polite literature, which I embraced with such avidity that from the age of twelve I hardly ever retired from my books before midnight. This proved a source of injury to my eyes, whose natural weakness was attended with frequent pains in the head; but as all these disadvantages could not repress my ardour for learning, my father took care to have me instructed by various preceptors, both at home and at school."

The boy was very beautiful and as a young man his fellow students gave him the nickname of "Lady."

"He was not tall, we are told, but graceful in person, and like Tasso—'He of the sword and pen,'—he was a skilful swordsman and fond of exercise. His long and light brown hair was parted on his brow and fell to his shoulders; his eyes were dark grey, his complexion fair and delicate." "His harmonical and ingenuous soul," says a writer of the time, "dwelt in a beautiful and well proportioned body."

The enquiring spirit, which had induced the father to leave the ancient church prevented the son from taking holy orders as he could not subscribe to the articles of the Church of England.

While at Cambridge he wrote the Hymn to the Nativity beginning:

It was the winter wild,
While the heaven-born child
All meanly wrapt in the rude manger lies;
Nature in awe to Him
Had dofft her gaudy trim,
With her great Master so to sympathize;
It was no season then for her
To wanton with the sun her lusty paramour.

Only with speeches fair
She woos the gentle air
To hide her guilty front with innocent snow
And on her naked shame,
Pollute with simple blame,
The saintly veil of maiden white to throw,
Confounded that her Maker's eyes
Should look so near upon her foul deformities.

Here, too, he learned to know and love Edward King, whose death he laments in "Sycidas":

"But O the heavy change, now thou art gone,
Now thou art gone, and never must return!
Thee, shepherd, thee the woods, and desert caves
With wild thyme and the gadding vine o'ergrown,
And all their echoes mourn."

His father had, while he was at college, bought a beautiful estate in Buckinghamshire and here the young poet retired to give himself up to the pursuits and studies in which he delighted. There was little of the stern Puritan about the young man who composed the "Mask of Comus" to be acted by the children of the Earl of Bridgwater.

About this time, too, he wrote the poems in praise of Mirth and Melancholy so often quoted and so very beautiful. Milton in 1638 went for a long journey to the continent, in the course of which he spent a long time in Italy, where he made many friends. Among those was the famous astronomer Galileo then an old man. Long afterwards the blind poet recalled the beautiful scenes in these happy months through which he passed, when, to borrow his own words, he lived "In unreproved pleasures free."

Dark days were now in store for the poet. Days in which the muse was silent and in which he found a weapon in the grandest of English prose. His best poem was a lament written in Latin on the death of his beloved friend Charles Deodati.

On his return to England he found that he must find for himself a means of livelihood as he had been already too long a burden on his generous father. So in his rooms in London he undertook what must have been to him the uncongenial task of teaching boys. Yet he did this as everything else with the greatest care and thoroughness.

But England was on the verge of civil war and all men who had hearts to feel and minds to reflect took one side or other of the great controversies that were now going. Milton was on the side of religious and civil liberty and his pen was soon busy with treatises in which with all the force of his mighty intellect he argued for what he believed was a righteous cause.

It is said of him at this time that "his youth had been pure and moral; his manhood was almost ascetic; he lived sparingly, drank water and set his pupils an example of hard study. Now and then he took a day's recreation with some gay friends of Gray's Inn, and displayed his beautiful and well dressed person, on the fashionable promenade of Gray's Inn Gardens and Cheyne Walk, Chelsea." The civil war was in progress when Milton in 1643 brought home a fair young bride. What induced the blooming daughter of a Royalist house to marry the handsome but grave Puritan teacher, is one of the many puzzles which matrimony affords. But she soon grew to hate her life. Nor can we help feeling sympathy for the rich country maiden shut up in a city house and the merry daughter of a Cavalier condemned to live in a Puritan household. Her husband, whose time was divided between his school and his writing must have had little time to devote to the care of his young wife. At any rate she went home to her parents and for a long time could not be persuaded to return. It was then that Milton wrote his treatise on "Divorce." The two were however reunited and three daughters were born to them. The story is a sad one, but one can scarcely believe that the poet who afterwards wrote these lines was incapable of love and sympathy with the young wife:

"So much the more
His wonder was to find unwaken'd Eve
With tresses discomposed and glowing cheek,
As through unquiet rest: he on his side
Leaning half-raised, with looks of cordial love
Hung over her enamoured, and beheld
Beauty, which, whether waking or asleep,
Shot forth peculiar graces."

During the Protectorate, Milton was Cromwell's Latin secretary. He married twice afterwards. His second wife lived but a year, but the last survived him.

On the Restoration, Milton owed his life, it is said to King Charles the Second, who on being urged to punish him refused to do so on the ground that as he was poor, old and blind, no punishment could inflict greater misery. The Merry Monarch has little claims to the gratitude of the world, but if this story is true he conferred on posterity an inestimable benefit.

The story of the writing of the great poems Paradise Lost, Paradise Regained and Samson Agonistes has been often told. Much sympathy has been expended upon the daughters, who were required to read to him in a language they did not understand. A biographer not too friendly says that when the poet found how distasteful the task was to them, he released them and found for them employment more suited to their taste. It is unspeakably sad to think of the aged poet deserted by the daughters who might have been so great a comfort to him. No one is perfect and the practice of the best of men seldom conforms to his ideals. Do not his poems give a truer picture of the poet than that drawn by unloving hands?

Milton died on the 15th of November, 1674, and was buried in the Church of St. Giles, Cripplegate. It is more than a century since Wordsworth sang: "England hath need of thee." In these days have we not yet more need of the strong faith and earnest piety breathed through every line of the great poet's work?

WOMAN'S WORK

The following is a list of subscribers to the Home Nursing Society, whose names did not appear with the report published last week, but have since come to hand: Per Mrs. Todd: Mrs. Hardie, Mrs. Fletcher, Miss Goward, Mrs. Saunders, Mrs. Newton, Corporation of Victoria, a Friend, Mrs. Cooper.

Per Mrs. Nicholles: Mrs. Billinghurst, Mesdames McDonald, Grimmason, Mess, Moodie, Phipps, Pearce, Rich, Rickaby, Toller, Woods, Misses Moore, Lettice, Williams.

Per Mrs. Wm. Wilson: Mesdames D. M. Ker, Dixi Ross, H. F. Heisterman, Crow Baker, E. M. Johnson, T. Nicholles, Sayward, M. W. Waitt, Goodacre, H. Young, Young, Fullet, Clarke, A. Smith, A. Garesche, Wm. Wilson, McB. Smith, Wash. N. Jones, Yorke, Rocke Robertson, Powell, Cocher, T. Moore.

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The ladies of St. James' church intend holding a sale of work at the rectory on Tuesday next, Dec. 15. They hope that all their friends will remember the date. Special attention has been given to preparing articles suitable for Christmas gifts.

ORPHANS' HOME HAS SATISFACTORY YEAR

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we managed without his assistance. We record, also, very appreciative thanks to Miss Marjorie Kitto, for her kindness in fostering the evident artistic talent of one of our girls, giving her valuable time so generously for this purpose, with marked success. We are also indebted to Messrs. Porter & Sons and to Mr. J. King for forwarding parcels, etc., and to the Colonist and Daily Times for daily issues and unfailing kindness in press reports.

Tribute to Matron

We feel that our annual report would be incomplete without mentioning the conscientious and excellent work of our esteemed matron, Mrs. Kay and her assistant, Miss Laycock, to whose careful management the present most satisfactory state of the Home and the well-being of the children, both morally and physically, is so largely due. A letter recently received from Principal J. M. Campbell, of the North Ward school, enclosing a much appreciated donation to the Home, has so cheered and encouraged us, that we venture to quote from it as he states: "I am glad to contribute to so excellent an institution. The conduct of the pupils from the Home especially in my own division, is worthy of all praise."

In conclusion, we desire to thank the committee of management of the Protestant Orphanage for their unfailing kind consideration and courtesy to us during the past year, and we trust that they will ever feel we deeply realize the responsibility of our position as the joint guardians of these boys and girls, to whom the Orphanage means home and happiness.

(Signed) President C. A. McTavish,
for the Ladies' Committee.

The financial statement presented by B. S. Heisterman, honorary treasurer, for the twelve months ended Nov. 30, was as follows:

Receipts

Balance from last year, cash.$	20.78
Act. c'rr'nt, Bank of Commerce	42.74
Savings Dept. Bank of Commerce	615.76
Annual subscriptions	1,623.05
Sub. collected by ladies	111.00
Sub. collected by Mrs. Toller	65.00
Sub. collected by Mrs. Scowcroft	21.20
Proceeds from entertainments	447.60
Donations	145.93
Estate Jas. Crawford, legacy	100.00
Estate Mrs. Mary Brocklehurst	50.00
Board of inmates	1,548.00
Net amount from rents	589.55
Victoria debentures	240.00
Mrs. E. L. Higgins, refunds produce sales	71.70
Proceeds sale of calf	12.40
Savings bank interest	4.48
Total receipts	$5,709.19

Expenditures

Monthly accounts (12 mos.)	$1,714.15
Salaries	1,403.50
Light account	44.00
Water	12.70
Fuel	150.75
Printing and advertising	108.90
Improvements and repairs	957.80
Furniture account	242.65
Taxes (1908)	254.85
Labor	20.30
Insurance	331.50
Interest account, loan	9.85
Exchange	.15
Cash on hand	3.00
Balance, credit current account, Bank of Commerce	435.61
Savings Dept., Bank of Commerce	19.48
Total expenditures	$5,709.19

The report presented by William Scowcroft, the secretary, showed that at present there are forty-one children in the home, twenty boys and twenty-one girls. The report gave the names of the inmates and facts as to the date of admission, etc. On motion of Rev. W. Leslie Clay the various reports submitted were adopted and will be printed in the usual way.

New Committee

The balloting on the names submitted for the committee of management resulted as follows: Bishop Cridge, Bishop Perrin, Rev. W. Leslie Clay, Charles Hayward, A. B. Fraser, Sr., J. H. Lawson, B. S. Heisterman, L. Goodacre, J. L. Beckwith, H. Dallas Helmcken, K.C., David Spencer and W. Scowcroft.

Rev. Mr. Miller called attention to the necessity of having something done to improve the roadway to Cook street leading from Queen's avenue to the home. A resolution was passed to the effect that the attention of the civic authorities be called to the disgraceful condition of the road and asking that some steps be taken to make the needed improvements or at least have a sidewalk constructed.

After a vote of thanks had been tendered to the retiring officers and committees for their services the meeting concluded with the Benediction pronounced by Rev. E. G. Miller.

Those present at the meeting were Charles Hayward, B. S. Heisterman, J. McLean, Edgar Fawcett, Rev. W. Leslie Clay, Rev. E. G. Miller, L. Goodacre, D. Spencer, Mrs. W. F. McCulloch, Mrs. Toller, Mrs. McTavish, Mrs. Todd, Mrs. E. L. Higgins, Hon. Senator Macdonald, J. H. Lawson, William Scowcroft, Reginald Hayward, Ernest Hayward, H. Dallas Helmcken, K.C.

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ATHLETIC PARK TO BE IMPROVED

Directors Decide to Level, Seed and Drain Grounds This Month

TO PROVIDE A RACE TRACK

Half Mile Racing Course Will Be Constructed—Baseball Club's Scheme

Tenders will be called within the next few days for the ploughing, levelling, underdraining, and seeding of the Royal Athletic grounds. This was decided at a recent meeting of the directors of the company which took over that property early last summer. To meet the expenses incurred in the work it is intended to make another call on the stockholders in the concern, payment being due some time next month. It was the opinion of the board that those financially interested in the park would endorse their action in this regard because of the palpable necessity of making these improvements immediately in order that the grounds may be in shape for the outdoor sport of next summer, thus ensuring their use for the purpose of which they were purchased, under conditions satisfactory to all the athletic organizations desirous of playing league matches at a place within reasonable distance of the centre of the city.

Half Mile Track

The directors propose, in addition, to laying out one of the finest turf areas in Victoria, to provide a half-mile track. To do this the low fence on the north side of the grounds will be removed. The course will be elevated at the curves and will be constructed otherwise in the most modern manner. Moreover, once it is laid it will be kept in first class shape so that field events may be arranged to take place there almost at a moment's notice.

A Baseball Diamond

A delegation of two members of the Victoria Baseball club waited on the directors for the purpose of endeavoring to make arrangements for the use of the park during the season. They stated that the grounds were sufficiently large providing the northern inside fence was removed and, as that coincided with the general improvement plans, it was agreed that there would be no difficulty in coming to an understanding on that point. The consensus of opinion appeared to be that there would be no trouble in so arranging the schedule of baseball and lacrosse matches that the one wouldn't interfere with the other, thus doing away with the possibility of one attraction detracting from the public patronage received by another and allowing the two clubs to utilize the same headquarters. The grass, it was stated, would not be mutilated by the laying out of a diamond so that the interests of followers of both the Canadian and American national games could not clash. All these points being agreed on there was only one other to be satisfactorily arranged to conclude the deal which would give the baseball club the use of the Royal Athletic park, namely, the terms on which the directors would issue a lease. A proposition and a counter-proposition, it is understood, were submitted. Some discussion followed but no definite agreement was reached and, finally, it was decided that the matter would be allowed to remain in abeyance to be taken up again some time next spring.

WISE ONES DISCREDIT THE RUMORS OF WAR

No Danger of Trouble Between Eastern and American Baseball Associations

New York, Dec. 8.—The wise men in baseball do not believe that war is coming. The Eastern League and American Association want recognition of their two organizations as a class by themselves. The governing powers in baseball, the national commission, will not grant them this, and neither will the national association, which is composed of all the minor leagues, ranging from the two bodies who want separate classification to the smallest league in the game.

In order to get what they want the American Association and the Eastern League will have to go out by themselves and wage war on organized baseball. That is where the whole thing will fade away as far as a real baseball war is concerned, as the two organizations have not enough money to carry out their plans.

It is claimed that options have been secured on grounds in Chicago, Pittsburg and several other cities that the bolters plan to raid. It is easy to get options on vacant property. It is when it comes to making a ball ground out of it that the trouble comes. An option costs but little, but when it comes to putting in the actual plant it is different.

Major league baseball plans are expensive things nowadays, and the Eastern League and American Association know it very well. They won't really pull away from the national association of minor leagues. They are just making a strong bluff in order to get some concessions in the way of drafting players, both by the National and American Leagues, and by the two bolting associations from the minor bodies.

JUNIOR LEAGUE

The standing of the Junior Association Football league is as follows:

	P.	W.	L.	D.	P.
Beacon Hill	4	2	1	1	5
High School	3	1	1	1	3
North Ward	3	1	2	0	2

Next Game—North Ward vs. High School.

FIVE BASKETBALL GAMES THIS EVENING

The Junior and Intermediate Leagues Will Open Tonight

The intermediate and junior basketball leagues will open this evening. In the former series two matches will take place, namely, Esquimalt vs. James Bay at the Esquimalt hall and Shamrocks vs. Y.M.C.A. at Institute hall. Three junior games are scheduled:. The Y.M.C.A. and High School teams will meet at the former association's gymnasium; the James Bay and Victoria West fives will play at the J.B.A.A. hall, and the North Ward and Shamrocks will try conclusions at the former's quarters, Spring Ridge.

It is difficult to say much in regard to these contests because the season having just started the rating of the teams cannot be judged. Indications, however, are that every one of the five games enumerated will produce a high class exhibition. The James Bay intermediates are known to be strong and they have been practicing hard. On the other hand the Esquimalts, being newly organized, are imbued with enthusiasm and determination to make a reputation for themselves. Therefore the clash between these aggregations should result in a close contest. If reports are to be given any credence, both the Y.M.C.A. and Shamrock fives will line up in A1 condition.

The battle for supremacy, under the circumstances, should be exceedingly interesting. As for the juniors it is well known that the youngsters of every district enter into their league games with pronounced energy and, although they cannot be expected to put up what could be called gilt-edged ball at least until the series is further advanced, that they will make things hum is assured.

Sparks and Gowan are said to be among those who will figure on the forward line of the Victoria United soccer team entered for the Vancouver Island championship. Brightman, also, is mentioned. If the services of such a galaxy of stars is obtained, Manager Rutherford should be able to pull off the championship without difficulty. But——.

SCHWENGERS RATED NEXT TO M'BURNEY

Northwest Tennis Association Submits Annual Report—Season's Winners

The ranking committee of the North Pacific International Lawn Tennis association, which consists of President R. H. Pooley of Victoria, Arthur Remington of Olympia and Walter A. Goss of Portland, has completed its work of ranking the first ten players in singles and the first five teams in doubles for the playing season of 1908. The following is the ranking:

Singles

1. W. A. McBurney, of Spokane.
2. B. P. Schwengers, of Victoria.
3. Joe C. Tyler, of Spokane.
4. Frank T. Payne, of Tacoma.
5. Walter A. Goss, of Portland.
6. Mr. Fritz, of Seattle.
7. S. L. Russell, of Seattle.
8. B. H. Wickersham, of Portland.
9. C. J. Hall, of Everett.
10. A. Armstrong, of Tacoma.

Doubles

1. Payne and Armstrong, of Tacoma.
2. McBurney and Tyler, of Spokane.
3. Wickersham and Bellinger, of Portland.
4. Pooley and Rithet, of Victoria.
5. Wildes and Barry, of Everett.

The committee has worked upon the principle that the winning of the international singles event, which was this year played at Everett, is the highest possible credit and ordinarily entitles the holder of the cup to the first rank. This has never been, however, an ironclad rule, because necessary absence or "flukes" might render the rule a farce. This year Tyler won the title, but it was the only win he made throughout the season against top-notchers. He was beaten twice in tournament play by McBurney, once by Schwengers and once by Freeman; and Freeman was beaten by Payne, McBurney and Schwengers. Tyler beat Payne in the finals at Everett and so ranks third with Payne fourth. Both McBurney and Schwengers played in only two tournaments, and both were unbeaten. McBurney's scores, however, were slightly the better of the two. He beat Freeman in straight sets, while Schwengers lost the second set to Freeman, and only got the first set after a desperate struggle at the score of 12-10. McBurney also got better scores against Tyler. Schwengers and McBurney have met but once, when McBurney won easily, but that was some years ago. Schwengers excels on grass, while McBurney is undoubtedly better on dirt.

Goss put up a great game against Payne at Everett, making him go the full five sets, and the limit at that. He had held fifth place—next to the "Big Four"—for a number of years, and has not been beaten in tournament play by any one else. Wickersham is said to have turned the trick in a post season local game, but he made no such record in the tournaments this season.

Fitz, a newcomer, took sixth place by defeating Seattle's star player Sam Russell, and winning the State of Washington championship.

Payne and Armstrong, the crack Tacoma team, won the championship title of the International league, and take first place, although they did not meet McBurney and Tyler. The latter team won two tournaments. Wickersham and Bellinger, Pooley and Rithet, and Wildes and Barry made fair records, but won no tournaments. The competition in doubles this season was very slack.

Outside players are not ranked in this jurisdiction. If they had been, L. R. Freeman of Pasadena, Cal., would have come in for about fifth place in the singles.

Following is a list of the season's championship winners:

Singles

W. A. McBurney, Inland Empire, at Spokane, and Oregon state, at Portland.

B. P. Schwengers, British Columbia, at Victoria, and British Columbia Mainland, at Vancouver.

Joe C. Tyler, international championship, at Everett.

Frank T. Payne, Pacific Northwest, at Tacoma.

Mr. Fitz, State of Washington, at Seattle.

L. R. Freeman, Western Washington open, at Everett.

Doubles

Payne and Armstrong, Internationals at Everett.

McBurney and Tyler, Inland Empire, at Spokane, and Oregon State, at Portland.

Freeman and Jordan, British Columbia Mainland, at Vancouver, and British Columbia, at Victoria.

Freeman and Goss, Pacific Northwest, at Tacoma.

Freeman and Russell, Washington State, at Seattle.

Freeman and Fish, Western Washington open, at Everett.

ATHLETES TRAINING FOR ROAD RACE

Y.M.C.A. Officials Hope to Have Ffiteen Entries for Annual Contest

"We hope to have between fourteen and fifteen starters in our New Year's road race," remarked W. G. Findlay, physical director of the local Y.M.C.A., yesterday. He reports that much interest is being evinced in the competition. Six or seven athletes already have decided to participate. Most of them are in training and have been working for the past several weeks. Though the evenings of late have not been of a kind to encourage outdoor running, in the somewhat flimsy clothing adopted by the athlete, several may be seen starting from the Broad street quarters at an early hour every night.

The time of the start of the forthcoming road race has been changed. It was announced that it would commence at 2.30 o'clock on the afternoon of New Year's day. The officials have decided that the field will be lined up at 10.30 in the forenoon, so that the contest will finish about noon, or shortly after.

RUGGERS PREPARING FOR NEXT MATCH

Indoor Practice on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the J. B. A. A.

On the 19th inst. a few days less than a fortnight hence, the Victoria rugby team will go to Vancouver to meet that city's fifteen on their own grounds. The reception which the mainlanders received at the hands of the locals last Saturday has, it is stated, brought them to a realization of the strength of the Islanders and they already have started preparations. Reports are to the effect that their line-up against Victoria in the next game for the McKechnie cup will be more formidable than that which was sent across the gulf last week. Apart from the possibility of the Terminal City aggregation being patched up and materially improved for the forthcoming contest, there is no doubt that they will put up a better fight on their own grounds.

The locals admit that improvement is necessary. The prospect of gaining the championship has taken firm hold on them, however, so that when it was announced that practices in scrum formation would take place at the J.B.A.A. gymnasium every Tuesday and Thursday all agreed to attend as regularly as circumstances permitted. The coaches, therefore, should be able to improve the heeling out, a feature in which Victoria was deplorably lacking last Saturday. With this systemized the local three-quarters may have an opportunity to demonstrate their metal. While nothing definite can be said as yet respecting the personnel of the Island team it will be stronger than that of Saturday last.

AT HALF TIME

B. P. Schwengers, Victoria's crack tennis player, has been rated below McBurney, of Spokane, by the Northwest association. However, their report shows that the officials recognize the local man's pre-eminence on a grass court, and that they have been influenced in their decision by the fact that Schwengers did not figure in as many tournaments as the Spokane expert. Attention is drawn to the fact that some years ago McBurney defeated Schwengers. There are many who believe he would not be able to repeat the performance either on grass, cinder or asphalt courts, always providing the Victorian was given fair notice, that he might train. Doubtless they will meet next season, and, if they do, it goes without saying that the exhibition will be one of the finest seen in the Northwest since the days of Foulkes and Powell.

It is said that the Vancouver Rugby team lacked their usual dash on Saturday because of loss of sleep while travelling the previous night. Owing to the disarrangement of the transportation facilities they have to come over via Ladysmith. To do them justice, the argument may be sound because the Mainlanders certainly appeared badly lacking in vim and energy. However, this only goes to show the necessity of the Victoria fifteen working hard in preparation for the next match.

The Seattle soccer club will send an eleven here to meet the Victoria representative team in a P. C. L. match on Saturday. By the way, has anything been done towards registering Gowan, of Esquimalt, one of the best local forwards available?

The question has been asked: When is the first inter-city ladies hockey match to take place? No intimation of such a contest has been made public, and yet the fair devotees of the pastime have been practicing regularly every week. Will some of the officials of the club enlighten the general public on this point?

More blue grouse have been killed during the past few weeks, it is said, than at any other time since the season opened. Verily the vagaries of this species of game are exceeding hard to understand.

The first bridge has been successfully crossed. Of course there is some distance yet to travel before Victoria Rugby club can be considered within reaching distance of the McKechnie cup. Still the chances never were brighter. The material is here. All that is necessary is coaching, more coaching, and coaching all the time.

W. Moresby, George Jay, and others deserve much credit for what they have accomplished in the formation of a fast local rugby fifteen. The former also is entitled to recognition for the work he put in on Saturday morning preparing the grounds for the match.

LACROSSE MEN IN DEMAND

George Rennie Said to Have Been Approached by the Capitals

Looks like a great East vs. West struggle for star lacrosse players next spring. Here's Vancouver trying to make a wholesale draft on the Capital team that visited the coast and now Caps come right back by trying to kidnap George Rennie of the New Westminsters, now passing through on his way home from England. Torontos are also said to have a nicely baited hook out for the fast Westminster fielder partially on account of his intrinsic value and partially no doubt in revenge for the western attempts to coax Art. Warwick away from his home and fireside.

And those are but the opening shots of what promises to be a merry war. It is said that other offers have been made on the quiet, and that at least one Tecumseh star is in receipt of an offer that may cause him to pack his grip and catch the Imperial Limited. The N. L. U. has had its players practically at its mercy for two years past, and most of the clubs have made big profits. It looks as if the beastly western interference might transfer a large part of those profits to the pockets of the players.

But with all that on the side, would it not be nice if Toronto could bag that chap Rennie. He's the one man the boys in blue need to make them a great team. All last season their cry was for one more first-class man in the field, and if they could get George Rennie he would fill the bill in every particular. With him on the team the Indians would have to strengthen up a bit to hold either the N.L.U. or the city championship.—Toronto Telegram.

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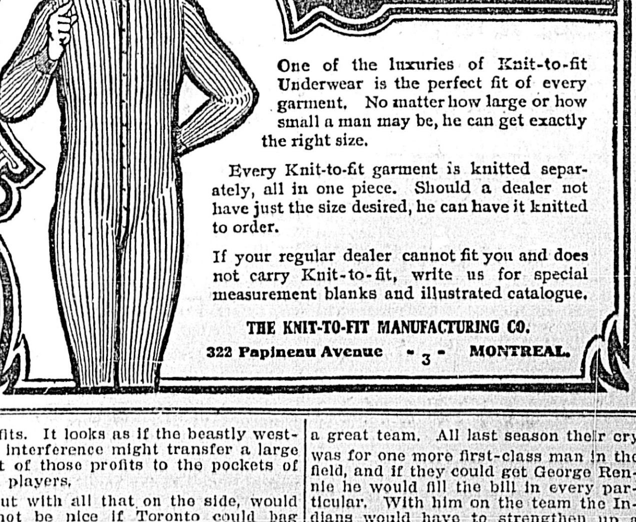

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On the Waterfront

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No Inland Waterways at Times Fog-Bound to Endanger Shipping

Among other advantages possessed by Victoria as a seaport is the freedom from the thick fogs which delay shipping and cause accidents at the ports of inland waters. It is within easy access of the open sea, without intricate waterways, fog-bound for days at certain seasons, such as handicap the inland ports such as Vancouver, Seattle and Tacoma. How serious a handicap this is to the inland ports is shown by the series of accidents which have occurred and the delays encountered by shipping entering and leaving the port of Vancouver, the last incident being the stranding on Sunday of the big freighter Glenfarg in the Narrows when her master essayed to get to sea after waiting for two days fog-bound at the wharf. All Saturday and part of Sunday the steamer Queen lay fog-bound in English bay unable to make her way into port. There have been not a few accidents during fog and in other weather by steamers bound to Vancouver by way of the inland waterway leading to that port. The Princess Beatrice, Princess Victoria, Charmer and Tees have been ashore, the Indravelli crashed against Kellett bluff after passing Victoria on her way to Vancouver, the big Kazembe struck at Siwash point, the Tartar was in collision with the Charmer—all these accidents occurring within two years past.

Victoria is more fortunate; the port is of easy access, without any inland waterway to pass through and no narrows to be negotiated. It is the nearest port to the open ocean, and, as the business of the Pacific grows these factors in its favor will have an effect of bringing an increased amount of shipping to this port. If there were direct railway connection between the island and the mainland the delays and risks attendant upon proceeding to the ports more difficult of access would cause shipowners and underwriters to have ocean steamers make their terminus here and discharge their whole cargoes here for distribution from this port by rail, ferry or coasting steamers.

Vancouver has its advantages. Being the terminus of the C. P. R. it attracts shipping to its wharves; but it also has its disadvantages as shown by the recent accidents and the delays encountered by the shipping fog-bound at the mainland port. The time will come when one of the advantages will also be added to those of Victoria, namely of direct railroad communication.

Victoria's Advantages

Direct and easy access to the open sea, good spacious and safe areas for harbor works, without the long periods of fog and the difficult approaches that have to be navigated in order to reach the mainland ports further inland, are not the least among the advantages possessed by the sea port of Victoria. With three railroads seeking to shorten the distances to the overseas markets beyond the Pacific and the prospect of competitive railroad and steamship concerns fighting for the contract for the fast service demanded under the scheme for the "All-Red line," it is probable that not a great lapse of time will take place before projects are advanced for direct railroad connection with this city. Two years ago T. W. Paterson, considered one of the most practical railway men in British Columbia, said "When three railways become anxious to participate in the development of the wealth of Vancouver island, the Seymour Narrows will be bridged."

The C. P. R. is greatly interested in the development of Vancouver island and the Grand Trunk Pacific is reported to have plans to reach Victoria, while it is but a question of time after the Canadian Northern line reaches the shores of British Columbia when it will seek entry to the island. Mr. Paterson stated he did not think the Canadian Northern would be satisfied with any terminus other than one on Vancouver island. A ferry connection might be considered satisfactory at first, but the time would not be long when pressure would be brought upon the government of the day for financial assistance to secure the bridging of Seymour Narrows. One of the projects now before the Dominion parliament is the connection of Prince Edward island with the mainland by a tunnel. Probably a future parliament will consider a project for a bridge or tunnel connecting Vancouver island and the mainland. H. P. Bell, in a deport furnished to an ex-minister of railways, says he estimates the cost of connection by rail, including the line and bridges at $25,487,671. Of this at least 17 million dollars will be required for the bridges across the waterways at Seymour Narrows. The estimated spans of the bridges required was: At Arran rapids, clear span, 1,100 feet; at Cardero channel, first opening, 1350 feet, second opening 1140 feet, third opening 640 feet; at Middle channel 1100 feet; at Seymour Narrows, first opening 1200 feet, second opening 1350 feet.

CAPT. TROUP GOING TO DISCUSS NEEDS

Rumor Says New Steamer For Northern Route May Be Considered at Conference

Capt. J. W. Troup, superintendent of the Pacific Coast Steamship service of the C.P.R., will leave for Winnipeg in a few days to join other C.P.R. officials, including General Superintendent Busteed, the superintendents at Calgary and Winnipeg, Mr. Cartwright, engineer on the Pacific coast, and others, to discuss with Mr. Bury and afterward with William Whyte, the general superintendent, the estimate of the money required for necessary works in the western division of the railway and steamship services during 1909. It is generally expected that among other things the consideration of the building of a new freight and passenger steamer for the Prince Rupert and northern British Columbia service will be among the matters discussed. Probably other improvements may also be suggested. Nothing can be learned here, however, in this regard. It is known that another new steamer will be required and rumor has consequently credited Capt. Troup with having that business on his list of requirements.

It is expected that the railway betterments, improvements and extensions contemplated in the western division will not be as great next year as during that now ending. The total amount expended in the west during 1908 is said to have reached 40 million dollars. In this regard a Winnipeg despatch says: A large amount of work which has been under construction during the past year will be completed next summer, and new work will be begun in all four western provinces. None of these will, however, equal in importance some of the contracts with which the company has been occupied in the last few years, as for instance the double-tracking from Winnipeg to Kenora, on which the sum of ten million is said to have been expended.

In connection with the discussion of the sums of money which will be asked for in January, when Mr. Whyte makes his annual trip to Montreal for this purpose, a number of the western officials of the company will visit the city during the next ten days, and with Mr. Bury will go over estimates of the work which in his opinion ought to be done. Later they will discuss the items with Mr. Whyte. The general superintendent, Mr. Busteed, Capt. Troup, of the Pacific coast Canadian Pacific steamships, and Mr. Cartwright, Pacific coast engineer for the C.P.R., will meet in Winnipeg to take up the question of the work to be done in British Columbia during 1909. A week later General Superintendent Price, of Calgary, will be in Winnipeg with other officials from the western division, and the amount of money to be expended on that division and the work to be done will also be discussed. General Superintendent Arundel, of Winnipeg, will present the estimates for the central division.

The steamer Umatilla leaves San Francisco today for this port. She will replace the steamer Governor.

The British steamer Strathnairn, which has been lying idle at San Francisco for a month, cleared yesterday for Portland. She will load wheat at that port for account of Balfour, Guthrie & Co., for the United Kingdom, at 24s, or about 6d below the lowest previous fixture.

The United States government is experimenting in San Francisco bay with a buoy bearing three huge wings of corrugated iron sheeting, which echo the whistles of steam vessels.

The steamer Adato passed up to Comox this morning from Callao.

Captain J. Shea, who ran into Victoria on the steamer City of Puebla and has been in the employ of the Pacific Coast Steamship company for 20 years, is to be a San Francisco pilot. His appointment will be made early in the new year.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE

Special to the Colonist

Tatoosh, 8 a.m.—Rain, wind south, 14 miles an hour.

Tatoosh, noon—Part cloudy, wind west, 22 miles an hour. Out, ship Yosemite, at 11.50 a.m. In, steamer Nevadan, at 8.25 a.m.

Tatoosh, 6 p.m.—Part cloudy, wind northeast, 4 miles an hour. Outside, bound in, a three-masted barkentine and a four-masted schooner.

By Wireless

Tatoosh, 8 a.m.—Rain, wind south, 14 miles an hour. Bar. 29.71, temp. 49.

Estevan, 8 a.m.—Rain, calm. Bar. 29.73, temp. 48. Smooth sea.

Pachena, 8 a.m.—Rain, wind southeast. Bar. 29.61, temp. 45. Sea rough.

Cape Lazo, 8 a.m.—Rain, fog, light northwest wind. Bar. 29.72, temp. 38. Sea smooth.

Point Grey, 8 a.m.—Raining, wind southeast, fog. Bar. 29.78, temp. 39.

Cape Lazo, noon—Cloudy and calm. Bar. 29.97, temp. 41. Sea smooth.

Point Grey, noon—Raining, wind southeast, fog. Bar. 29.83, temp. 44.

Tatoosh, noon—Part cloudy, wind west, 22 miles an hour. Bar. 29.82, temp. 51. Passed out, ship Yosemite, at 11.50. Passed in, steamer Nevadan at 8.25 a.m.

Estevan, noon—Raining, light southeast breeze. Bar. 29.87, temp. 45. Sea moderate.

Pachena, noon—Clear, wind southeast. Bar. 29.72, temp. 48. Sea moderate.

Tatoosh, 6 p.m.—Part cloudy, wind northeast, 4 miles an hour. Bar. 29.88, temp. 47. Outside, bound in, a three-masted barkentine; a four-masted schooner.

Cape Lazo, 6 p.m.—Cloudy, calm. Bar. 29.85, temp. 41. Sea smooth. Steamer Humboldt passed north at 4.45 p.m., and was spoken near Seymour Narrows at 6 p.m.

Point Grey, 6 p.m.—Cloudy, a light southeast wind, fog. Bar. 29.92, temp. 39.

Estevan, 6 p.m.—Calm, clear. Bar. 29.93, temp. 42. Smooth sea. No shipping.

Pachena, 6 p.m.—Part cloudy, northeast breeze. Bar. 29.80, temp. 42. Sea moderate. No shipping.

MAY REVIVE PRACTICE OF SMUGGLING OPIUM

United States Ruling Against Introduction of Drug for Smoking

An order which will probably mean a recrudescence of the old time smuggling between British Columbia and Puget Sound has been made by the United States government. The importation of opium for smoking has been prohibited. The order made prohibits the importation of the drug containing less than 9 per cent of morphine. Opium for smoking contains less than 9 per cent of morphine, while that used for medicinal purposes contains from 12 to 12½ per cent, so that the order will not stop the importation of the drug for these purposes.

The new regulation is based on authority given under the food and drugs act.

"If it appears from the examination of such samples that any article of food or drug offered to be imported into the United States is adulterated or misbranded within the meaning of this act, or is otherwise dangerous to the health of the people of the United States, or forbidden to be sold or restricted in sale in the country in which it is made or from which it is exported * * * the said article shall be refused admission, and the secretary of the treasury shall refuse delivery to the consignee and shall cause the destruction of any goods refused delivery which shall not be exported by the consignee within three months from the date of notice of such refusal."

Consequently the customs officials hereafter will not allow smoking opium to be imported. The trade in the drug has been largely from Canada, but hereafter the smokers will have difficulty in securing their favorite brands.

On January 1 a new law becomes effective in Canada whereby the manufacture or sale of opium is absolutely prohibited. Because of this rule the importations from British Columbia have been larger than usual for some time, dealers being anxious to unload their stocks before the end of the year.

TANGO MARU SAILS FOR THE ORIENT

Aki Maru Bringing Silk Shipment Which Will Fill Five Baggage Cars

The steamer Tango Maru of the Nippon Yusen kaisha, Captain Thompson, sailed from the outer wharf yesterday with 5,500 tons of general freight, including cotton, flour, salt fish and general merchandise. She had a small complement of saloon and about 175 steerage passengers, mostly Japanese. Those embarked here included 17 Japanese and 8 Hindus. Among the saloon passengers was Dr. T. Kurimoto, chief surgeon of the city of Tokio, who has been on a trip around the world studying the methods of quarantine against bubonic plague. He proposes to infect rats with typhus and cause their taking off by that disease.

The steamer Aki Maru of the Japanese line, Captain Yagi, which is expected to be reported today at one of the west coast wireless telegraph stations, is bringing a very large shipment of silk from Japan. She has on board 1,500 bales of silk and silk goods valued at about three quarters of a million dollars. Five baggage cars have been prepared at Seattle to rush this valuable freight eastward. The Aki Maru is also bringing one Chinese who risked the displeasure of his countrymen to travel by a Japanese line.

R. P. Schwerin, vice-president and general manager of the Pacific Mail and other Harriman lines, who is at Portland has been reading a lesson to the merchants of that city. He states that they should patronize the Oriental service from Portland to the far east exclusively, and by despatching and ordering their freight via Puget Sound and San Francisco, cause him to have the steamers of the Portland and Asiastic line call at San Francisco and Honolulu en route. Then, too, tramp steamers are used to the detriment of the regular liners.

Mr. Schwerin expressed the opinion that the trans-Pacific commerce would not be very brisk the coming season, owing to the high price of wheat. Before the Orientals will buy flour to any extent he held that the product would have to be taken across the Pacific at an unprofitable rate.

Mr. Schwerin thinks the United States flag will disappear from the Pacific ocean carrying trade within eight years. This, unless subsidies are given by the government of that country. He said: "Business on our lines was never so bad as it is now. Our steamers out of San Francisco last year lost $468,000, and six months of the present year they were run at a loss of $265,000. During September we went $105,000 behind and November added a deficit of $68,000. It takes $100,000 to run a big trans-Pacific steamer on a single round trip. The Japanese government gives a subsidy amounting to $75,000 to vessels carrying the Japanese flag. This $75,000 must be made up in freight and passengers by the American steamers if they are to compete with the Japanese liners."

QUEEN SAILS SOUTH

Was Delayed Owing to Being Fog-Bound at Vancouver and Sailed One Day Behind Time

Steamer Queen, Capt. Cousins, of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, sailed last night from the outer wharf for San Francisco, one day late. She was delayed by fog at Vancouver. Arriving off Vancouver at 9 o'clock Saturday morning, it was so dense that the big steamer had to anchor outside. She remained there until 1.30 o'clock Sunday afternoon, there being too much fog to proceed. While at Vancouver. He had been on watch until noon, and then retired. He died unexpectedly at 2.40 p. m., death being due to heart disease.

Capt. Cousins expects to winter on the steamer President, which has been withdrawn for the present. Capt. Jepsen, of the Governor, will likely take the Queen, while it is expected that Capt. Thomas Reilly will return to the steamer Umatilla. Capt. Nopander, formerly of the Umatilla, is running to Portland on the Senator.

The passengers who embarked here included Miss S. Morris, Mrs. McKay, Miss Agnes Anderson, Al. Franck, Mr. and Mrs. J. Drader, Mrs. Guthridge and six steerage passengers.

PHANTOM SHIP SEEN FROM HADDON HALL

Sailors Thought it Was the Flying Dutchman Beating Till Day of Judgment Off Cape Horn

"We saw the Flying Dutchman," said one of the sailors of the bark Haddon Hall, when recounting their tale of privation and hardship when the three-master wallowed and took sea after sea over her decks, chilling the seamen, during the storms off Cape Horn. "Yes, sir, we saw the Flying Dutchman. We were hove to, and the seas were going down. They had been mountains high during the night, swishing great combers over our rail as we rolled, burying the lee rail. The morning broke sharp and clear, a frosty September morning, and there were snow flurries after the cook started to work in the galley. He never knew when a sea would sweep him and his pots and pans out of the galley, so he lost no time over the range. About the time the morning watch got their coffee, though, we saw the Flying Dutchman.

"You know how old Van Der Decken was caught centuries ago with his old high-pooped Dutch ship in mid-winter gales, such as we were having, and after being driven back time after time as we were, swore a great Dutch oath that he would get around the Horn if he took to the Day of Judgment. Well, he's still trying—but there's few sees him nowadays on account of steam. We saw him, though, and uncanny he looked coming down on us in a cloud of canvas, with all sail set in wind that made us strip everything off the Haddon Hall. It wasn't any too clear; but it was the Flying Dutchman all right."

"So you saw the Flying Dutchman, eh?" asked a visitor, and the mate laughed.

"It did look like it, though," he said, and to a superstitious man the sight was not considered a good one. We had a terrible squall that night, and after it blew out, I saw a curious cloud shaped like a ship, with all canvas set. It looked beautiful in the midst of the snow squall, the tops of the clouds being encrusted with ice as though the snow had frozen on the spars of a ship. It was remarkably like a ship under full head of canvas, and it came toward us like a steamboat, driving along before the wind.

"It's the Flying Dutchman," shouted someone, standing in the waist of the bark, and it surely did look like the old wandering Jew of the sea.

"Sailors say it's not a good omen to see the phantom ship, don't they?" asked the questioner.

"It wasn't a bad one for us; for the weather cleared soon after, and we made a good run into the Pacific and north.

LORD SHAFTESBURY IS REPORTED CHARTERED

Stated Owners Have Accepted Low Rate for Lumber to Sydney—Rates Falling Lower

It is reported from San Francisco that the British ship Lord Shaftesbury, which has been lying idle at Esquimalt for six months, has been chartered to load lumber at a British Columbia port for Sydney at 28s 3d, which is a reduction of 1s 9d from the last figure or a sailing ship for that voyage. Steamers have however accepted 27s 6d. The San Francisco Commercial News says: Sailing shipowners who have sent their vessels to the Pacific coast this season have been hard hit by being subjected to severe competition on the part of tramp steamers, which have cut grain freights to such an extent as to make it impossible for the sailers to get the union rate, and it is reported that a number of Glasgow shipowners are urging the Sailing Ship Owners' union to make concessions in the minimum rate, as was done in the case of nitrate freights last season. In case these owners threaten to withdraw from the union such action will surely be taken.

Grain chartering has almost entirely ceased. There are a number of vessels idle on the coast, but little chance of their being taken for grain. There is a good chance of some reduction in the minimum grain rate for this coast next season.

Lumber freight rates are quiet. Grays Harbor to Valparaiso has been done at 41s 3d; Chemainus to Arica at 44s 6d, and Portland or Grays Harbor to Callao and Mollendo at 47s 6d. On Australian and Oriental account there has been nothing doing.

Offshore rates are quoted approximately as follows: Lumber from Puget Sound or British Columbia to Sydney, 27s 6d; to Melbourne or Adelaide, 30s; Port Pirie, 30s to 32s 6d; to Fremantle, 37s 6d; to Japan ports (steamers), 30s; Callao, 37s 6d to 40s; direct nitrate ports, 37s 6d to 40s; Valparaiso for orders, 38s 9d to 40s; 2s 6d less to a direct port; to South African ports, 48s 6d; to U. K. or continent, 48s 6d to 50s; Guaymas, $5.75; Santa Rosalia, $6.50.

Liverpool mail advices give the following fixtures: Antwerp to San Francisco, 18s 3d; Clyde to San Francisco, 15s deadweight and 18s coke; Hamburg and Tyne to San Diego, 15s and 20s; Hull and Tyne to Puget Sound, 12s 6d and 15s; Sydney to United Kingdom, new season, 22s 6d.

The steamer Glenfarg is still discharging cargo at Vancouver, and is not expected to leave for Esquimalt until this afternoon. She will enter the drydock on arrival, and a survey will then be made of the injuries received by her recent stranding during fog in the Narrows at Vancouver.

MOVEMENT OF VESSELS

Steamers to Arrive.

From the Orient.

Vessel	Due
Aki Maru	Dec. 10
Suveric	Dec. 18
Empress of China	Dec. 18
Iyo Maru	Dec. 24
Titan	Dec. 26
From Australia.	
Makura	Dec. 16
From Mexico.	
Lonsdale	Dec. 16
From Skagway.	
Princess May	Dec. 10
From Northern British Columbia Ports.	
Camosun	Dec. 9
Vadso	Nov. 30
Venture	Dec. 10
Princess Beatrice	Dec. 19
From West Coast.	
Tees	Nov. 30
From San Francisco.	
Umatilla	Dec. 11
Queen	Dec. 16

Sailing Vessels.

Vessel.	Left	Date
Haddon, Hall	Liverpool	April 2
(Reached Montevideo in distress, July 9)		
Puritan	Boston	

Steamers to Sail.

For the Orient.

Vessel.	Date.
Empress of Japan	Dec. 9
For Australia.	
Moana	Dec. 4
For Mexico.	
Lonsdale	Dec. 31
For Skagway.	
Princess May	
For Northern British Columbia Ports.	
Venture	Dec. 11
Camosun	Dec. 9
Vadso	Dec. 18
Princess Beatrice	Dec. 21
For West Coast.	
Tees	Dec. 10
For San Francisco.	
Queen	Dec. 7
Umatilla	Dec. 12
City of Puebla	Dec. 17

Local Steamers.

Victoria-Seattle.

S. S. Princess Royal.

Leave Victoria 3:30 p. m. daily except Monday. Arrive Seattle 10 p. m. daily except Monday.

Princess Victoria.

Leave Seattle 8:30 a. m. daily except Monday. Arrive Victoria 1 p. m.

Vancouver-Victoria.

Princess Victoria.

Leave Victoria daily except Sunday at 2 p. m.

Steamer Charmer.

Leave Victoria 12:00 midnight daily. Arrive Vancouver 7:30 a. m. daily.

Leave Vancouver 1 p. m. daily. Arrive Victoria 7:00 p. m. daily.

Victoria-Seattle, via Port Townsend Whatcom

Leaves Victoria 8 p.m. daily except Thursday.

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Upper Fraser River.

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Leaves New Westminster 3 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Leaves Chilliwack 7 a.m. Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday. Calling at landings between New Westminster and Chilliwack.

Vancouver-Nanaimo (E. & N. Ry.)

Joan

Leaves Nanaimo 7 a.m.

Leaves Vancouver 1:30 p.m. daily except Sunday.

Victoria-Nanaimo.

S.S. City of Nanaimo.

Leave Victoria Tuesday at 7 a.m. Arrive Nanaimo Tuesday at 4 p.m.

Leave Nanaimo Saturday at 2 p.m. Arrive Victoria Saturday at 9 p.m.

Leave Nanaimo Wednesday at 7 a.m. Arrive Union Bay and Comox Wednesday at 2 p.m.

Leave Union Bay and Comox Thursday at 7 a.m. Arrive Nanaimo Thursday at 2 p.m.

Leave Nanaimo Friday 7 a.m. Arrive Union Bay and Comox Friday at 2 p.m.

Leave Union Bay and Comox Saturday at 7 a.m. Arrive Nanaimo Saturday at 1:30 p.m.

Sidney to Gulf Islands.

Iroquois.

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Port Pirie	30s
Freemantle	37s 6d
River Platte Ports	47s 6d
Japan ports	30s
Shanghai	30s
Taku	30s
Callao	40s to 42s 6d
Direct to Nitrate Ports	40s to 41s 3d
Valparaiso for orders to discharge there and, or at one other port not north of Pisagua 2s 6d less direct	45s
South Africa ports, Cape Town, Delagoa Bay range	50s
Direct port United Kingdom	50s
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Grain.

For Portland or Puget Sound loading steamers are being paid 23s 9d for the United Kingdom or Continent, and sailers 22s 6d. For Japan ports, Shanghai or Taku, (strs.) $3.75 to $4.

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Ship Thorulfebank 164 days from Caleta Buena for Bilbao, 8 per cent.

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Ship Chateaubriand, 131 days from New Caledonia for Hull, 8 per cent.

Bark Austrasia, 119 days from Newgua for Falmouth, 8 per cent.

Ship Derwent, 126 days from New Caledonia Breakwater, 10 per cent.

Norwegian ship Lansing, 100 days New Caledonia for Hampton Roads, reinsurance 10 per cent.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

T. R. Fielden has arrived from England at the Empress.

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Mr. M. H. Gault, of Montreal, is at the Empress.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Morrison, of Vancouver, are staying at the Empress.

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C. Spencer went over to Vancouver this morning on a short business trip.

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Messrs. F. and E. Price, from Duncans, are on a short visit to the city.

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Mr. and Mrs. Small, of Seattle, are spending a few days in town.

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P. Stewart, of Vancouver, is in the city. He is registered at the King Edward hotel.

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J. C. Miller, of Tacoma, is at the King Edward hotel. He expects to be here several days.

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W. H. Pennock left for his ranch in Saanich by the V. & S. railway yesterday afternoon.

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Thomas R. Stockett, of Nanaimo, is paying a visit to Victoria. He is staying at the Empress.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lamb, of Somenos, are spending a few days in Victoria. They are guests at the Empress.

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W. Grant Morden, of London, England, is visiting Victoria. He is staying at the Empress.

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James Rosenberger leaves this afternoon via the Northern Pacific on a three weeks' business visit to the East.

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Charles Weiner left yesterday afternoon via the Northern Pacific for Spokane on a business trip.

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Mrs. Harry Wille leaves this evening via the C. P. R. for Cincinnati, Ohio, on a visit to her former home.

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Dr. Fagan left this morning on the Princess Victoria on a short trip to Vancouver.

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Dr. Tolmie, Dominion livestock commissioner, went over to Vancouver on the Princess Victoria this morning.

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Mr. Geo. H. Cowan, M.P., who has been staying at the Empress, returned to Vancouver this morning.

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Mr. M. J. Manson, M.P.P., came down from Mission yesterday, and is staying at the Empress.

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Mr. and Mrs. T. Hale came down from Duncans yesterday, and are stopping at the King Edward.

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Mrs. Daniel Bellew, wife of the manager of the St. James Island property, is registered at the Balmoral.

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Mrs. G. and Miss MacDonald, who have just arrived from Prince Rupert, are staying at the Balmoral.

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H. C. Brewster, M. P. P., who has been spending several days in Victoria, left yesterday for Nanaimo.

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Mrs. Koenig, from the Shawnigan Lake hotel, is down in Victoria for a few days.

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Hon. Mr. Fulton was host at a smart dinner party last night, which he gave to celebrate his birthday. Premier and Mrs. McBride were among the guests.

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Mr. A. A. McKinnon, of Vancouver, who is heavily interested in timber limits upon the coast, is registered at the Dominion.

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Mr. F. E. Simpson, the editor of the Cranbrook News, arrived in town yesterday from Seattle, and is staying at the Dominion.

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Duncan McVicar, of Wellington, New Zealand, and Walter Mitchell, of St. Johns, N. B., called yesterday at the Tourist Association's rooms.

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Mrs. C. B. Kinney, accompanied by her two daughters, left this morning via the C. P. R. on an extended trip to Boston.

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Mr. and Mrs. George McLellan, Mrs. C. B. Wain and the Misses Wain, left this morning via the C. P. R. for Massillon, Ohio.

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J. Hazelman left this morning via the C. P. R. for New York, whence he will sail on the Cunarder Lusitania for the Old Country.

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The members of the Alexandra club and their friends are reminded that today is Guest day. A very pleasant afternoon is anticipated.

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Mr. and Mrs. T. Hale, of Duncans, arrived in the city yesterday. They are among the guests at the King Edward hotel.

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Mrs. D. McIntosh, of 534 Quebec street, returned on Monday evening after a visit of two months to friends in Winnipeg, Minnedosa and Dauphin.

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W. S. Butler, of Keatings, arrived in the city yesterday morning. He returned by the V. & S. train in the afternoon.

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Mrs. Macdonald and daughter, of Sidney, came in yesterday morning and were among the outgoing passengers of the V. & S. train in the afternoon.

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Mrs. Burgess, accompanied by her two daughters, left this morning via the C. P. R. on their return to Winnipeg, after making a lengthy visit with friends here.

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Messrs. Marpole and Cambie, C.E., came over from Vancouver last evening, and go up the E. & N. line this morning upon a trip of inspection. They registered at the Empress.

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Mrs. John Piggott, of Belmont avenue, will in future receive on the 2nd Thursday in each month only, instead of on the 2nd and 3rd Thursdays as before.

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R. P. Trimble, of Portland, Ore., came over from the Sound yesterday afternoon and is staying at the King Edward. He is making a tour of the north-west on business and pleasure combined.

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Among the passengers on the Princess Victoria this morning for Vancouver were Mrs. Jose, Mrs. A. Glenn, Miss Mason, E. Francis, P. Ferguson, J. B. Griffith, G. Adams, W. P. Gray, E. B. Chandler.

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Mr. and Mrs. Frank Grierson, of Ottawa, are in town for a few days, and are staying at the Aberdeen. Last night they dined with their cousin, Mrs. Raymur at her residence on Kingston street.

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Premier McBride yesterday gave a luncheon party to which all the ministers who are in town were invited, as well as Messrs. Barnard, Cowan, Burrell and Goodeve, four of the five successful Conservative candidates at the recent election.

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Among the many visitors from Vancouver who are at present visiting Victoria and are registered at the Empress are: A. Blygh, W. T. Miller, G. E. McMillan, E. Frances, G. Horsman, G. H. Cowan, A. E. Beasly, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bull, Mrs. C. H. Fox and Miss McKinney.

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Mrs. MacKay, Mrs. W. J. Anderson and Miss A. Morris, of Victoria, were among the passengers by the steamer Queen which left for San Francisco last night. It is their intention to spend the winter months with friends in Oakland, probably making a tour of southern California before returning.

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Frank Waterhouse, of Frank Waterhouse & Company, operating lines to the Orient, including the Manila and North China lines and the line to Australia, in conjunction with Andrew Weir & Co., arrived from Seattle yesterday and is at the Empress hotel. He is accompanied by F. M. Gillespie, of the Seattle firm.

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Major and Mrs. Beale Gorman, from Worcester, England, are on a tour of Western Canada. They spent Monday in Victoria, with which they were much charmed, despite the stormy weather. They left last night for Vancouver en route for Vernon, where they have friends, with whom they will spend Christmas. They will return to England early in the new year.

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Mr. W. C. Nelson and Miss Katie E. Gordon, both of this city, were quietly married last evening at the parsonage by Rev. T. E. Holling, the pastor of Metropolitan church, and went over to Seattle on this morning's steamer. Upon the conclusion of a comparatively brief honeymoon trip among the Sound cities, the newly wedded couple will return to this city, where they will establish their home.

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Mrs. Ellesmere, from Derbyshire, England, spent last week-end in this city. During the past six months she has been touring, for the benefit of her health, accompanied by her companion, Mrs. Charlotte Lister. They left last night for Vancouver, where they will stay over Christmas. Mrs. Ellesmere's health is much improved and she hopes to return home in January, but so charmed is she with Victoria, which she also visited in the summer, that she hopes to make a trip here again next year.

AMUSEMENTS

"The Devil"

"The Devil," which comes to the Victoria theatre tonight is the Henry W. Savage version of Franz Molnar's Hungarian play "Der Teufel," and is being presented by especial permission of Mr. Savage. The American adaptation was made by Oliver Herford, the brilliant novelist, poet and magazine writer.

The play is considered by both dramatic and literary critics the most brilliant work of its kind produced in this generation. The Devil, as depicted in the comedy, does not have cloven hoofs or horns. Rather is he a jolly, olly, insinuating worldly man of fashion, who is altogether a most agreeable chap just as sin itself too often is.

The play is proving a profound sensation everywhere. As presented in this city it will be given by a most distinguished cast in which Ramsey Wallace, the well known leading man, will have the role of "The Devil."

"Arizona"

"Arizona," which will appear at the Victoria theatre tomorrow night, had made a career of uninterrupted success in almost every large city of the east. It has played in New York at the Herald Square theatre and the Academy of Music for over one hundred and fifty nights, and each and all of the critics have universally agreed that it has achieved the distinction of being the only American drama by an American author which has ever reached this remarkable record in theatrical history. "Arizona" as the name implies, is a play which has its scenes, characters and incidents located in far west. The piece is as full of bright color contrasts as the changing combination of a kaleidoscope.

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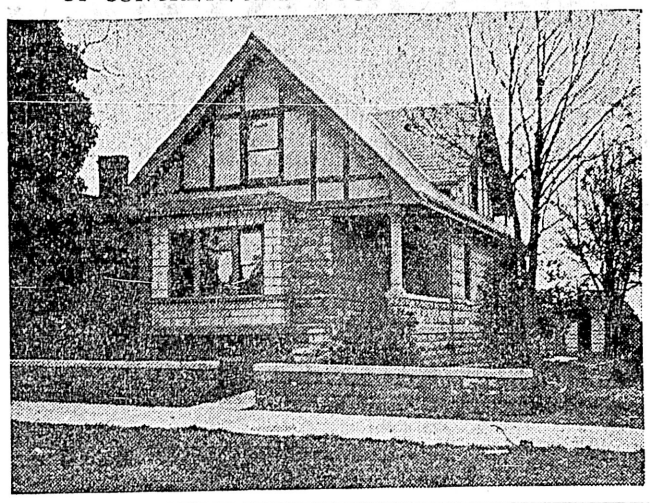

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The steamer Whatcom will wait over till 11.30 p.m. tonight to await the Devil company after the conclusion of the performance at the Victoria theatre.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Silver Question.

Sir—Many people think that the silver question is as dead as Julius Caesar but the letter of U. S. Senator Teller to Mr. Moreton Frewen, recently published in the Colonist, shows that it is again receiving the attention which it deserves. The proposal of the United States government to inquire into effects of the depreciation of silver is due to the commercial depression which prevails, without much sign of recovery, in the United States, the United Kingdom and other countries whose currency is on a gold basis, but which does not exist in silver using countries like China and Mexico. The effect of the low value of silver so far as China is concerned is shown by the state of its trade. Sir Robert Hart, the inspector general of the Chinese Maritime Chamber of Commerce pointed out that the value of the foreign trade of China ten years ago amounted to about four hundred million taels and last year amounted to about seven hundred million taels. If the first amount is converted into sterling at the former exchange, before the price of silver fell much, and the latter amount at the present exchange it will be found that the sterling equivalent is much the same for both the tael amounts. The foreign trade of China therefore has remained stationary for countries whose currency is on a gold basis and has almost doubled in value for the Chinese, whose currency is on a silver basis. This comparison is, perhaps, of more interest to those who have commercial dealings with China, but the present low value of silver should interest every Canadian because it encouraged Chinese immigration into Canada and is likely to decrease Canadian exports to China. In your comments on Sena-Teller's letter you point out that a Chinaman in Shanghai has to pay now five taels for a sack of Canadian flour whereas formerly he paid only two taels. The value of the Shanghai tael has not fallen much, if at all, below two shillings and three-pence and you evidently meant Hongkong dollars, since about five of them are equal to two Canadian dollars. All the Chinese who come to Canada are natives of southern China and their only object in coming here is to return to their own country with their earnings. They now receive five Hongkong dollars for every two Canadian dollars, whereas not long ago they did not receive much more than two Hongkong dollars for every two Canadian dollars. Further, it is evident that the Chinese in Canada remitting two Canadian dollars receive five Hongkong dollars worth of tea, rice, shoes, clothing and other articles produced in China instead of two Hongkong dollars' worth as formerly. With silver at its present low price the Chinese in Canada are well off and as they receive about ten times higher wages here than in their own country it is not surprising that so many this year have paid the five hundred dollars immigration tax. The depreciation of silver will diminish Canadian exports to China and hasten the time when China will manufacture for itself. As an instance, there is already established in Shanghai a dividend-paying flour mill and the Chinaman who has to pay five Hongkong dollars instead of two as formerly for a sack of Canadian flour will soon discover that the local flour is cheaper. Wheat is largely grown in North China, and most of the straw hats and bonnets worn throughout the world are made of wheat straw grown and plaited by the natives of North China. With improved methods of agriculture in China wheat and flour will be received in Victoria as cheaply from Shanghai as from Winnipeg. There seems to be every probability that in the course of time China, with its unlimited cheap labor and undeveloped resources in coal, metals and almost everything else, will become the industrial centre of the world. These countries whose currency is on a gold basis and who refuse to coin silver except in small quantities are at present enriching China and causing the Chinese to start industries to supply their own needs.

The representatives of the province in the local and federal legislatures would do well to study this question of depreciated silver and to support any feasible scheme for the appreciation of silver which may be brought before the Dominion government by the government of the United States. It should not be a difficult matter for the Dominion government to assist by coining dollars and more half dollars and withdrawing or curtailing its issue of one and two-dollar paper notes.

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INTERVIEW GOVERNMENT

O. R. Schill, of the Strand Magazine, Has Novel Proposition

Representing the Strand Magazine, C. Rivington Schill, of London, England, who has been connected with the business direction of that publication since its inception some eighteen years ago, is in the city. Mr. Schill's trip to Canada combines business with pleasure.

The proposal has been made to insert a Canadian section in the Strand magazine following the usual specialties. This will be devoted to articles descriptive of Canada and its different provinces. Mr. Schill has been interviewing the premiers of the different provinces with a view to discovering what financial support the Strand would receive in its venture. He believes that the leading magazine of Great Britain, reaching as it does all classes of the community, both the investor and others able to influence and direct immigration, must appeal to the government of Canada and to the various provincial governments as a most desirable vehicle through which to make public the claims of these districts to investor and emigrant. He has laid his plan before the premiers of nearly all the other provinces as well as before the federal authorities, and will interview the local government today. Those so far met have expressed themselves as favorable to the scheme and will present the matter to their various executives. The C.P.R. and G.T.R., through Sir Thomas Shaughnessy and C. M. Hays, respectively, have promised the plan their support.

Mr. Schill was formerly identified with the firm of T. B. Brown Ltd., the chief advertising firm of London, Eng. In that capacity he saw much of the birth of Answers, Tidbits and other publications in addition to the Strand.

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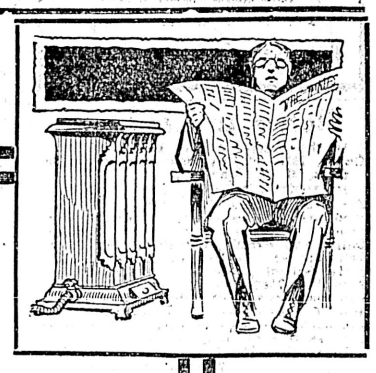

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Christmas has lived down its saturnalian and heathen origin. Today Yule-tide is par excellence the home festival of the Canadian people. With the heathen origin, the useless Christmas Gift is happily being filed away into the archives of the past. Up-to-date folks now present something that will give permanent pleasure to the recipient. Many charming and at the same time useful articles may be given, but few things will give such joy and comfort to the receiver as

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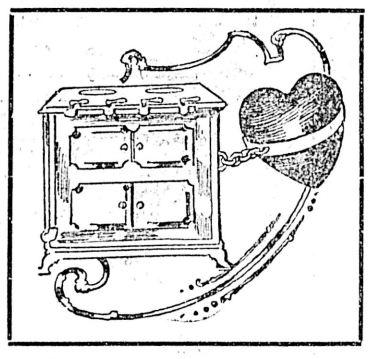

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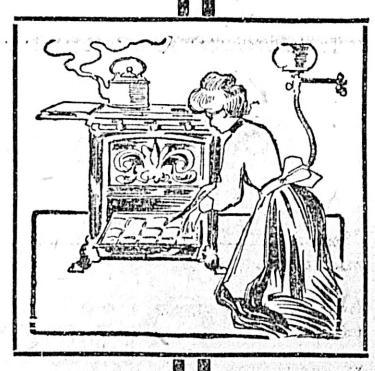

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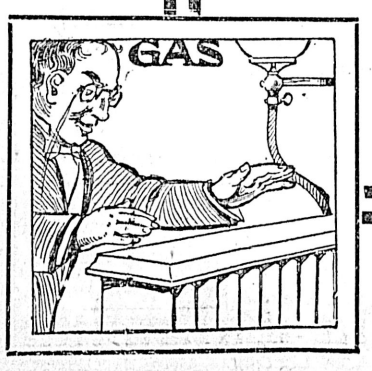

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BARTENDER FINED FOR ASSAULTING OFFICER

Constable Ireland Exonerated By Court From Charge of Insobriety

Harry Lalaune, a bartender at the Bismarck, was yesterday fined $25 by Magistrate Jay for assaulting Constable Ireland while in the execution of his duty. The decision was rendered after two more witnesses had been called for the defence, and after several had been called by the prosecution to prove Constable Ireland's sobriety on that occasion. The accused had said that the constable was under the influence of liquor, although he was not backed up in that respect by any of his witnesses. Yesterday his counsel, J. A. Aikman, withdrew unreservedly the suggestion that the constable had been drinking, a view which was adopted by the magistrate, who said that he was convinced that the charge was absolutely unfounded.

The case arouse out of a fracas on Government street late one night last week. There had been a street fight and Constable Ireland, who was in plain clothes at the time, repaired to the spot. He found a crowd of persons, in the midst of whom was the accused having a noisy altercation with one of the assemblage. Lalaune stated in court that he was engaged in endeavoring to induce one of the men who had been fighting to go home. But, however this may be, the constable took hold of Lalaune and told him to move on. The man resented this and closed with the officer, the result being that both rolled on the ground together. The constable called to a friend to bring the patrol wagon which arrived before the fight had gone very far.

The chief point of variance between the two stories was that the policeman said that he had announced his identity and shown his badge when he first approached Lalaune, while that individual swore that he had no idea that he was an officer until he saw his badge flash when they were on the ground together. After that he let him up. The patrolman's companion swore that he had heard the policeman say who he was. On the other hand several witnesses for the defence said that they heard no such remark, and would have heard it had it been made. Lalaune tried to clinch the matter by saying that the constable was drunk, and that among other things he could tell it from his breath. The allegation that the constable was drunk, or had been drinking, was satisfactorily disproved, and the accusation proved to be somewhat of a boomerang.

Magistrate's Decision

In giving his decision Magistrate Jay said in part:

"The evidence shows that Constable Ireland heard a noise and high talking and that there had been a fight. There seemed to him to be a probability of a recurrence of the fight and he very properly told the accused to move on. In doing this he was only fulfilling the ordinary duty of a constable.

"Ireland says that he told who he was and showed his badge. In this he is corroborated by Harrison. The accused denies this and says the constable was drunk. This charge has been satisfactorily disproved, and some of the witnesses called were not there at the moment this statement was said to have been made, and it is moreover possible that, owing to the noise that was going on, the remark might have been made without their hearing it.

"The accused is a bartender who had just come off shift, and he admits he had had several drinks of whisky. It is quite likely that he was himself in a state of some excitement and possibly has forgotton exactly what took place. In any event I do not think that his evidence is deserving of the same consideration on that account, and I must find him guilty.

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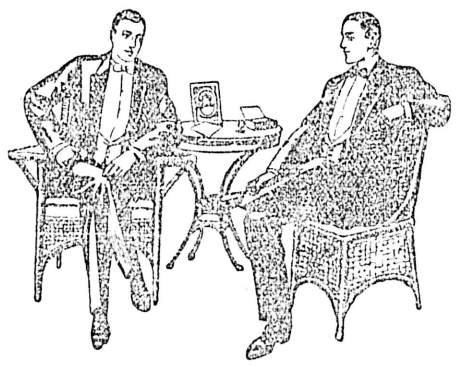

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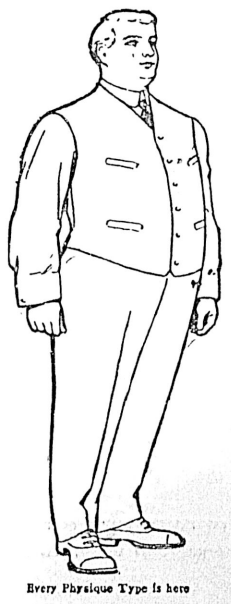

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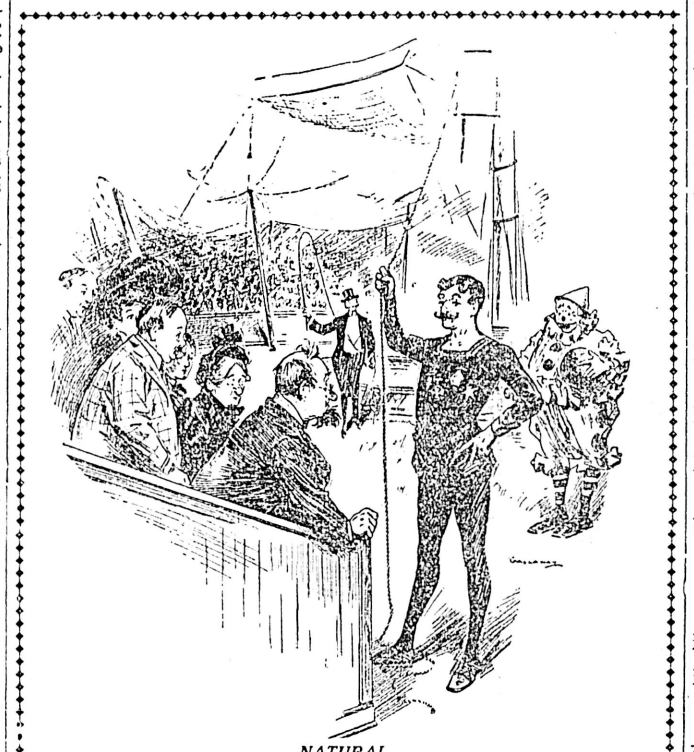

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Roads, Streets and Sidewalks at Prince Rupert.

SEALED TENDERS, superscribed "Tenders for the construction of plank streets and walks at Prince Rupert, B.C.," will be received by the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works up to and including Wednesday, the 9th day of December, 1908, for constructing 236,000 square feet of plank roadway and 112,000 square feet of plank walks, at Prince Rupert, B.C., including the necessary grading and close cutting.

Plans, specifications, and forms of contract and tender can be seen by intending tenderers, on and after the 21st day of November, 1908, at the office of the undersigned, Lands and Works Department, Victoria, B.C.; at the office of the Government Agent, Prince Rupert, B.C.; at the office of Mr. James H. Bacon, Harbour Engineer, Prince Rupert, B.C.; at the office of the Government Agent, New Westminster, B.C.; an dat the office of Mr. R. J. Skinner, Provincial Timber Inspector, Vancouver, B.C.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque or certificate of deposit on a chartered bank of Canada, made payable to the order of the Chief Commissioner, in the sum of fifteen hundred ($1,500) dollars, which shall be forfeited if the party tendering decline, or neglect, to enter into contract and satisfactory bond when called upon to do so.

An accepted bank cheque, or guarantee bond, in the sum of fifteen thousand ($15,000) dollars, as security for the faithful performance and completion of the work will be required.

Tenders will not be considered unless made out on the forms supplied, signed with the actual signature of the tenderer, accompanied by the above-mentioned cheque, and enclosed in the envelope furnished. The Chief Commissioner is not bound to accept the lowest or any tender.

F. C. GAMBLE,
Public Works Engineer.
Land and Works Department,
Victoria, B.C., 17th November, 1908.
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LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900.

Notice is hereby given that, thirty days after date, I intend to apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for a license to sell intoxicating liquor on the premises to be known as the British Ensign Hotel, situated at Sooke Road.

(Signed) CHRIS. G. BEHNSEN.

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(Signed)
B. C. PACKERS ASSOCIATION.
Robert Chambers, Agent.
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ARCHIBALD HOWIE, of the Station of Cowichan, in the Province of British Columbia.

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to the Trustees and Executors Act, that all Creditors of the Estate will deliver to the undersigned before the 15th day of December A.D., 1908, all particulars of their claims verified by Statutory Declaration.

On such date the Executor will proceed to distribute the Assets according to law.

Dated this 11th day of November, A.D. 1908.

McPHILLIPS & HEISTERMAN.
Solicitors for the Executor.

SHERIFF'S SALE

Fieri Facias issued out of the Supreme Court of British Columbia in an action wherein Pitt & Peterson are plaintiffs and Vancouver Copper company, defendants, I have seized and taken possession of all the goods and chattels of the defendant company situate at Mount Sicker, Vancouver Island, consisting of 3 Shay geared locomotives with ore cars, picks, shovels, steel, etc., furniture and contents of Mount Sicker hotel, also large quantities of cord wood. I will offer the said goods and chattels, or a sufficient portion thereof, for sale at public auction, on the premises, Mount Sicker, on Saturday, the 9th day of May, 1908, at 2 o'clock p.m. Terms of sale, cash. F. G. RICHARDS, Sheriff for the County of Victoria for and on behalf Sheriff County of Nanaimo.

Sheriff's Office, Victoria, May 1, 1908.

NOTICE

The above sale is postponed to a date to be fixed. F. G. RICHARDS, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Victoria, June 10, 1908

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the city of Victoria, at its next session, for a transfer of the license to sell intoxicating liquors on the premises situated on the corner of Humboldt and Blanchard Streets, in the city of Victoria, known as the White Horse Hotel, from James Griffen to Nells Hansen and Hans Kiesors, of the city aforesaid.

Dated this sixth day of November, 1908, at Victoria, B. C.

JAMES GRIFFEN, Applicant.

Municipal Notice

Tenders, sealed and endorsed, will be received by the undersigned up to Friday, the 18th inst., at 4 p. m., for pumps required for the Salt Water High Pressure System as per specifications which can be seen and had at the Purchasing Agent's office. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT,
Purchasing Agent.

City Hall, Dec. 1st, 1908.

TENDERS

Tenders for the supply of School requisites for the coming school year will be received upto December 8th by the Secretary of the School Board, at whose office specifications may be obtained. The Board do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.

ISABELLA MOORE, Sec.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the reserve placed upon certain lands in the vicinity of Lower Kootenay River, District of Kootenay, notice of which appeared in the British Columbia Gazette of the 14th August, 1884, and bearing date of 13th of August, 1884, is cancelled, for the purpose of disposing of such lands by public auction, and to permit of giving effect to the recommendations contained in the report of Mr. W. F. Teetzel, a commissioner appointed to adjudicate upon the claims of certain squatters upon the said lands, but for no other purpose.

ROBERT A. RENWICK.
Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works, Lands and Works Department. Victoria, B. C., 6th October, 1908.

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that under and pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Canada 1906, Chapter 115, Thomas H. Horne will apply to the Governor-in-Council for approval of the plan and site for the erection of a wooden wharf in front of lots 1284 and 1285 in the city of Victoria. B. C.

A plan of the said proposed wharf and a description by metes and bounds of the proposed site of the same, have been deposited with the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa, and duplicates thereof have been deposited in the office of the Registrar of Deeds for the said city of Victoria, the same being the Land Registry Office at Victoria aforesaid.

FELL & GREGORY,
Solicitors for Thomas H. Horne.
Victoria, B. C., the 3rd December, 1908.

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Session of the Legislative Assembly 1909

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE BILL.

Notice is hereby given on behalf of the Corporation of the City of Victoria that application will be made in the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next Session for a private Bill to re-enact, ratify and confirm "The Corporation of Victoria Water Works Act," 1873 and the "Victoria West Water Works Amendment Act," Chapter 64 of the Statutes of 1892, and to make the following amendments and additions to such Act:

To amend Section 2 of the Act of 1873, which enables the Corporation by a Commissioner to construct water works, by giving to such Commissioner power to manage and conduct the use for any and every purpose to which any waters of the Corporation are put;

To extend the powers given to the Water Commissioner by Section 7 to the construction of tunnels and dams and conduits subject to compensation;

To amend Section 10 by making the date for the annual return therein directed with statement of affairs of the water works to be made on the 15th January of the year following, in lieu of on the 31st December for the year terminating on that date;

To re-enact Section 13 as amended by Section 4 of Chapter 64 of 1892, in a detailed and concise form, a section giving power and authority to the Water Commissioner to fix the amount of annual water works tax on the basis of frontage along the water mains and branches thereof, or in case of special benefit and advantage to fix a special tax, or to fix the tax according to the relative assessed value taken from the Assessment Roll, or partly by each of these methods, or by two or more or all. In addition to frontage tax price to be paid for use of water by each occupant of a house and for water for other than domestic use and for water supplied outside City Limits and the times for payment;

To amend Section 14, as amended by Section 5 of said Chapter 64 of 1892, by separating the water works monies from general revenue, and to require payment thereof into a separate bank account paying only to the City Treasurer such amounts as the Council may, by resolution, direct;

To repeal Section 19 of said Act of 1873;

To amend Section 20 by placing the service pipe throughout tenement buildings under control as to supply of Commissioner.

To amend Section 27 of said Act of 1873 by by giving power to the Council to authorize contracts for the sale of water mains and plant in the supply of water outside the City or in adjoining municipalities to the Corporation of such Municipalities, with power to contract with outside municipalities for the sale of any quantity of water within such outside municipality either in bulk or upon such terms as to supply and use and payment therefore as may be arranged, and with express power and authority to any outside municipality with whom the Corporation may have made contract for supply, to levy within such municipality a frontage tax or other tax, assessment or rate for the payment of such water supply for the benefit of the Corporation.

To repeal Section 28, 29 and 31 of said Act of 1873 and substitute therefor power to the Corporation to borrow money upon the security of the water works system and property, taxes, rates, rentals and charges and the general revenue of the water works system, or of waters belonging to the Corporation, with the guarantee of the City, and that the debentures to raise monies may be issued under the formalities required for debentures issued under the authority of the Municipal Clauses Act; and following Section 81 of the Municipal Clauses Act; but with power to make loan repayable and not exceeding one hundred years, or to issue same as a perpetual and irredeemable floating charge with or without sinking fund and with power to buy in the debentures out of corporate funds;

To repeal Section 32 of the said Act of 1873, and to substitute therefor power to the Corporation to purchase in extinguishment of debentures indebtness debentures now outstanding at a sum not exceeding the par or nominal value of same, out of the sinking fund set aside for the particular issue;

To repeal Section 33 of said Act of 1873.

To add to Section 34 of said Act of 1873, as amended by Section 9 of said Chapter 64, by enabling the passing of a By-law to give effect to Section 14, and by separating and paying all water works monies into an account with the Bankers of the Corporation, there to remain under control of the Council to be expended on water works account;

To add to Section 36 a proviso entitling the Commissioner and Corporation, to one month's notice of action before any proceedings arising out of, or in connection with, the carrying out of the said Act;

To authorize the exercise of the Council's powers by By-law save in matters of administrative detail, which may be by resolution;

To repeal Section 40, 42, and 43 of said Act of 1873 and to enact that water works taxes shall be deemed to be debts due to the Corporation and collected as municipal taxes, and otherwise to provide for securing and enforcing payment for water supplied;

To give to the Corporation power to use waters for producing any form of power, or for producing and generating electricity for the purpose of light, heat and power, either within or without the City; that all powers, rights and privileges by any Act granted to the Corporation shall be applicable to the use of water for power purposes and giving to the Corporation the following powers:—

Power to construct works;

To transmit power;

To convey power by wires and place poles for carrying wires on lands or highways outside the city;

To construct all necessary buildings and works and maintain and operate the same, extending the powers of expropriation to waters for power purposes;

That any arbitration to ascertain compensation under Water Works Acts may, at the election of the Council, be proceeded with under Section 251 of the Municipal Clauses Act.

And such incidental and necessary powers as are involved in the foregoing or may be conveniently used therewith.

Dated this 30th day of November, 1908.

MASON & MANN
Solicitors to the Corporation of the City of Victoria.

NOTICE.

In the Matter of the "Companies' Winding Up Act, 1898," and in the Matter of the Vancouver Shipbuilding, Sealing & Trading Company, Limited Liability.

Notice is hereby given that all creditors and others having claims against the above-named company are requested, on or before the 24th day of January, 1909, to send their names and addresses, and the particulars of their debts or claims, to Herbert Lockwood, Room 8, Empire Building, Hastings street, Vancouver, B. C., Joint Liquidator of said company. And further take notice that after such last-mentioned date the liquidators will proceed to distribute the assets of the company among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which the liquidators have then notice.

Dated this twenty-fourth day of November, 1908.

HERBERT LOCKWOOD,
JOHN ROUNSEFELL,
Joint Liquidators.
Room 8, Empire Building, Vancouver, B. C.

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PRICE OF EGGS MAY GO TO LOWER LEVEL

Receipts of Fresh Island Product Are Increasing—Other Produce

Increased arrivals of fresh Island eggs during the past week have occasioned an easier tone to the market for this product and while prices continue at last week's level, 65 cents per dozen, dealers state that if receipts continue to increase, a drop in values will take place. Now that the moulting season is over the receipts here should increase materially. The eastern supply also continues liberal and of comparatively good quality. Prices for this imported stuff continue unchanged at 35 cents per dozen.

There is still somewhat of a scarcity of fresh butter. No change in prices has taken place but the receipts here are hardly equal to the demand which continues strong. The creamery product is quickly snapped up and while the eastern butter is of excellent quality and holds at its previous price, the demand continues unabated.

A new shipment of the higher quality cheese has been received here consisting of Gorgonzola, Roquefort, English Stilton and Edam cheese which are retailing at previous prices. This importation is especially for Christmas sale.

In the fruit line there has been few changes. Japanese oranges are in good supply, a large shipment having recently arrived from the Orient. The fruit is of excellent quality and is meeting with ready sale at 75 cents per box. Navel oranges are also improving in quality, recent arrivals not being so green as the earlier shipments and the quality shows improvement. Local prices range from 25 to 50 cents per dozen. Local apples of late varieties are unchanged in price selling at $1 to $1.75 per box while local pears are practically off the market except the late cooking varieties.

With the change to milder weather conditions the prospect of an increase in the price of potatoes has disappeared. The recent cold snap with the attendant frosts occasioned some predictions that the price of the tuber would advance but such was not the case. Instead the price, while unchanged from a week ago, is a shade easier and dealers would not be surprised to see some decline. Receipts are liberal and show generally good quality. Hot house lettuce is in fairly liberal supply retailing at two bunches for 5 cents, and California rhubarb and wax beans is also on sale at two pounds for 25 cents.

Hams are somewhat easier in price now retailing, for the American product, at from 18 to 22 cents per pound though no change has taken place in the British Columbia product. No other changes have taken place in the meat line and values remain at last week's figures for fish and poultry.

While the eastern wheat markets show remarkable strength and prices are mounting no change has yet been made in the price of flour though predictions are freely made that with the continued upward trend in wheat prices the value of the manufactured product will also advance.

Feedstuffs are also unchanged. Local retail prices are as follows:

Flour

Royal Household, a bag	$2.00
Lake of the Woods, a bag	$2.00
Royal Standard, a bag	$2.00
Wild Rose, a bag	$1.75
Calgary, a bag	$2.00
Hungarian, per bbl.	$7.75
Snowflake, a bag	$1.70
Snowflake, per bbl.	$6.80
Moffet's Best, per bbl.	$7.75
Drifted Snow, per sack	$1.70
Three Star, per sack	$2.00

Foodstuffs

Bran, per 100 lbs.	$ 1.60
Shorts, per 100 lbs.	$ 1.70
Middlings, per 100 lbs.	$ 2.00
Feed Wheat, per 100 lbs.	$ 2.00
Oats, per 100 lbs.	$ 1.65
Barley, per 100 lbs.	$ 1.60
Chop Feed, per 100 lbs.	$ 1.50
Whole Corn, per 100 lbs.	$ 2.15
Cracked Corn, per 100 lbs.	$ 2.20
Feed Cornmeal, per 100 lbs.	$ 2.25
Hay, Fraser River, per ton	$16.00
Hay, Prairie, per ton	$16.00
Hay, Alfalfa, per ton	$20.00
Crushed Oats, per 100 lbs.	$ 1.65
Crushed Barley, per 100 lbs.	$ 1.65

Vegetables

Celery, per head	.05
Lettuce, two heads	.05
Garlic, per lb.	.20
Onions, 8 lbs for	.25
Green Onions, 3 bunches for	.10
Potatoes, per sack	.75
Cauliflower, each	.20 to .25
Cabbage, new, per lb.	.02
Red Cabbage, per lb.	.05
Green Peas, per lb.	.08
Beans, per lb.	.08
Beans, per lb.	.05 to .15
Tomatoes, per basket	.25
Beets, per lb.	.05
Carrots, per lb.	.05
Sweet Potatoes, 4 lbs.	.25

Dairy Produce

Eggs—	
Fresh Island, per dozen	.65
Eastern, per dozen	.35
Cheese—	
Canadian, per lb.	.20
Neufchatel, each	.05
Cream, local, each	.10
Butter—	
Manitoba, per lb.	.35
Best Dairy	.25 to .30
Victoria Creamery, per lb.	.45
Cowichan Creamery, per lb.	.45
Comox Creamery, per lb.	.40
Chilliwack Creamery, per lb.	.40
Alberni Creamery, per lb.	.40

Fruit

Grape Fruit, per dozen	$1 to $1.50
Oranges, per dozen	.25 to .50
Lemons, per dozen	.25
Figs, cooking, per lb.	.08 to .10
Apples, per box	$1 to $1.75
Bananas, per dozen	.30
Figs, table, per lb.	.25
Raisins, Valencia, per lb.	.15
Raisins, table, per lb.	.25 to .60
Pineapples, each	.60
Grapes, Cal., per basket	.75
Grapes, Malaga, per lb.	.25
Grapes, Concord, per basket	.75
Cranberries, Cape Cod, qt.	.25

Nuts

Walnuts, per lb.	.30
Brazils, per lb.	.30
Almonds, Jordon, per lb.	.75
Almonds, Cal., per lb.	.30
Cocoanuts, each	.15
Pecans, per lb.	.30
Chestnuts, per lb.	.30

Fish

Cod, salted, per lb.	.10 to .13
Halibut, fresh, per lb.	.08 to .10
Halibut, smoked, per lb	.15
Cod, fresh, per lb.	.06 to .08
Smoked Herring	.12½
Crabs, 2 for	.25
Black Bass, per lb.	.06 to .08
Oolichans, salt, per lb.	.12½
Black Cod, salt, per lb.	.12½
Flounders, fresh, per lb.	.06 to .08
Salmon, fresh white, per lb.	.08 to .10
Salmon, fresh red, per lb.	.10 to .12
Salmon, smoked, per lb.	.20
Shrimps, per lb.	.25 to .30
Smelts, per lb.	.08 to .10
Herring, kippered, per lb.	.12½
Finnan Haddie, per lb.	.20

Meat and Poultry.

Beef, per lb.	.08 to .18
Lamb, per lb.	.15 to .25
Mutton, per lb.	.12½ to .20
Lamb, per quarter, fore	1.25 to 1.50
Lamb, per quarter, hind	1.75 to 2.00
Veal, dressed, per lb.	.15 to .18
Geese, dressed, per lb.	.18 to .20
Guinea Fowls, each	1.00
Chickens, per lb.	.25 to .30
Chickens per lb. live weight	.12½ to .15
Ducks, dressed, per lb.	.20 to .25
Hams, per lb.	.18 to .20
Hares, dressed, each	.75
Bacon, per lb.	.25 to .30
Pork, dressed, per lb.	.12½ to .15
Rabbits, dressed, each	.50 to .65

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do pfd	..	..	108¼
Am. Cot. Oil	43½	42½	42½
Amer. Ice	..	..	25⅞
Amer. Loco.	56	55⅛	55½
Amer. Sugar	132¼	132	132
Amer. Smelt.	91⅛	90	90¾
do pfd	..	..	106
Anaconda Co.	49½	49	49¼
Amer. Woolen	..	..	31½
Atchison	98⅜	97¾	98¼
do pfd	101⅞	101¾	101¾
Balt. and Ohio	108¾	107¾	108½
do pfd	..	..	91½
Brooklyn R. T.	56½	55¾	55⅞
Canadian Pac.	177⅜	176¼	176¾
Cent. Leather	..	..	29⅛
do pfd	..	..	101½
Chi. and G. W.	11¾	11½	11¼
Chi. M and S. P.	151¼	149¾	150⅞
Chi. and N. W.	..	..	173½
Ches. and Ohio	53¾	53	53⅝
Colo. F. and I.	41¼	40½	40⅞
Colo. Southern	58	57	57⅝
do 2s pfd	70	69	69⅞
do 1s pfd	73	71½	72¾
Chi. and Alton	61⅜	50⅞	51¼
Del. and Hudson	177	176	176¼
D. and R. G.	37¾	35⅞	37½
do pfd	82¾	89¾	82¾
Erie	35½	34	35¼
do 2s pfd	40½	40	40⅜
do 1s pfd	..	..	49¾
Illinois Cent.	147¾	147⅜	147
Inter-Met.	..	..	10⅛
do pfd	..	..	36⅛
Lou. and Nash.	123	122	123
Manhattan Ry.	151½	149	150
Mexican Cent.	17½	17¼	17⅜
M. K. and T.	38⅞	37¾	38½
do pfd	72	71⅛	71½
Missouri Pac.	66⅜	65¼	66¼
National Lead	83	82½	82½
M. S. P., S. S. M.	..	..	131½
do pfd	148¼	147¾	148
Mackay	..	..	75
do pfd	..	..	70½
Newhouse	..	..	6⅛
Pacific Coast	..	..	82½
N. Y. Central	117¾	117¼	117½
N. Y. O. and W.	46½	46	46⅜
Norfolk and W.	..	..	83⅞
Cons. Gas	104½	103¼	103¾
North Amer.	76¾	74⅜	76
Northern Pac.	142⅛	142¼	142⅛
Pacific Mail	..	..	38¼
Pensyl. Ry.	130	129½	129⅜
Peoples Gas	..	..	100¼
Pr. Steel Car	40¼	37⅜	38½
do pfd	..	..	97½
Reading	141⅛	140	140⅝
do 2s pfd	96	92½	94½
do 1s pfd	..	..	86
Rep. Iron and S.	26½	26½	26½
do pfd	86½	86	86¼
Rock Island	..	..	24
do pfd	..	..	60¾
Gen. Elec.	159	158½	158½
S. L. and S. F. 2s	40½	40	40
do 1s pfd	..	..	62
St. L. and S. W.	23½	22¾	23⅜
do pfd	55	53½	54⅞
Southern Pac.	119⅜	118¼	119⅛
do pfd	123½	121⅞	122
Southern Ry.	26	25	25¾
do pfd	60⅜	59	60⅛
Tenn. Copper	44½	44	44⅜
Texas and Pac.	34⅞	34⅜	34⅝
T. S. L. and W.	..	..	63¼
Union Pacific	183	181¼	182⅞
do pfd	..	..	92
U. S. Rubber	..	..	34⅛
do 1s pfd	108	107⅞	107
U. S. Steel	55⅜	54½	55¼
do pfd	112⅞	112⅝	112¾
Wabash	19¼	18⅛	19
do pfd	45	44⅛	44⅜
Western Union	69½	67½	67¼
Wisconsin Cent.	31½	31	31
do pfd	65⅛	64½	65¼
Distillers Sec.	36½	34⅞	35⅝
Utah Copper	48	47¾	47½
Gt. Northern	144	143⅛	143⅝
Virginia Chem.	44	43½	43½
Int. Paper	..	..	11½
Int. Pump	..	..	28⅛
Third Ave.	36	35	35¾
K. C. Southern	37⅜	37	37¼
Westinghouse	..	..	90

Total sales, 672,300 shares.

License in Massachusetts

Boston, Dec. 8.—The total number of cities voting for license remains unchanged as the result of the day's elections in 21 municipalities of the state, thirteen voting against license and eight for it. Fall River, notably, voted "no license" for the first time since 1903, and Gloucester also went into the no license list, while Haverhill and Salem, both of which voted against licenses last year, favored it. The other cities in which elections were held did not change their vote on the license question from that of last year.

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It is by affecting such impressive cures as this that Zam-Buk has established its world-wide reputation. In every country to which it has been introduced it has become the leading family balm and embrocation. This surely is proof of exceptional merit!

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Births, Marriages, Deaths

BORN.

BELL—At Kenora, Ontario, on November 28, to Mr. and Mrs. Wentworth Bell, a daughter.

CARD OF THANKS.

The Misses Payn Le Sueur wish to offer their sincere thanks for the sympathy and flowers sent them by their friends during their recent bereavement.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS
(Too Late for Classification)

ADVERTISER is owner of one of the best commercial fruit farms in the district of Victoria and will sell cheap. Terms. Box 259, Colonist. d9

WANTED—Boy to learn carpenter's trade. Apply 714 King's Road. d9

FOR SALE—At reasonable price, owner leaving town, four-wheeled rubber-tired buggy, horse and two sets of single harness. 252, Colonist. d9

WANTED—Trained certificated teachers for Maple Bay and Chemainus River schools; salary $50 per month. Apply to Jas. Norcross, Sec., Duncan. d9

FOUND—Gordon setter bitch, on Goldstream road; name on collar. Owner can have same by paying expenses. 253, Colonist. d9

WANTED—Teacher, with first-class certificate, as principal for Wellington public school. Also an assistant teacher for second division. Duties to commence with new year. Apply, giving references and full particulars to the secretary, Board of Trustees, Wellington, B. C. d9

WANTED—To borrow, $1,000; good security. 255, Colonist. d9

WANTED—Steady boy about 16, to work in bakery. Apply J. Marsh, Duncan. d9

LOST—A handbag containing bills, key, etc., between Bay street and Taylor mill; reward. Return to Colonist. Box 257. d9

PARTNERSHIP — Advertiser having greenhouse and necessary heating plant, desires partner to assist in growing tomatoes, etc.; will sell third or half interest, but partner must be willing to share work. 256, Colonist. d9

FOR SALE—10 Silica Brick shares $9; 3 Prudential Investment at $100; 10 acres, Alberni; 2 lots, Alberni $75 the two, snap; 2 B. C. Permanent Loan at $100 Box 162, Victoria. d9

LOST—Black cocker spaniel dog, on Saturday. Reward. Return to 1137 Belcher St. d9

WANTED—Carpenter accustomed to greenhouse construction. Give particulars with wages required to No. 247, Colonist. d9

LOST—One bundle of washing, Esquimalt Road. Return to Mrs. T. Redding, 822 Catherine St., Victoria West. d9&

LOST—Last Thursday, between Balmoral hotel and Sidney, a parcel of jewelry. Reward. Particulars at Colonist office. d9

I WILL BUY South African soldiers scrip for cash. H. J. Sanders, 1203 Government street, city. (Upstairs.) d9

MONEY TO LOAN—I wish to lend $2,000 to $3,000 on Victoria property. Box 243, Colonist. d9

FOR SALE—Two lots 60x120 each, on Michigan and Montreal streets, one or both; terms. Apply to owner, 1145 Fisguard St. d9

LOST—Gordon setter pup, four months old. Reward. 725 Vancouver St. d9

$3,000 TO $10,000 YEARLY easily made in real estate business; no capital required. We will teach you the business by mail, appoint you special representative of leading real estate company, list with you readily salable properties, co-operate with and assist you to a permanent success; a thorough commercial law course free to each representative. Write for 62-page book free. It will be sure to interest you. The Cross Co., 25 Reaper Block, Chicago. d9

WANTED—Girl to assist in light housework. Apply 1138 McClure St. d9

WANTED—Situation as salesman in any kind of store. Thoroughly experienced in gents furnishings and tailoring, etc. First-class window dresser. Address H. S., 1008 Fort St. d9

ALTON & BROWN, carpenters and builders. Estimates given on all kinds of carpenter work. We specialize in conservatories and greenhouses. Prompt attention. First-class work and moderate prices. Phone B-1454. Residence 585 Bay St., Victoria. d9

FURNISHED housekeeping rooms, on ground floor; central. 735 View St. d9

FOR SALE—Jersey cow, due in three days, third calf; very gentle. 1502 Pembroke St. d9

A MASS MEETING will be held in the City Hall on Thursday, December 10, at 8 p. m., under the auspices of the Asiatic Exclusion League. d9

CAPABLE young person requires position as a youthful companion or mother's help. Apply Box No. 266, Colonist office. d9

LOST—Gold brooch set with five pearls. Finder please return to Box 264, Colonist. d9

WANTED—At once, girl for general housework. Aply 1449 Fort St. d9

CONTRACTORS AND BUILDERS

COLE BROS.—Contractors. Estimates given for brickwork, chimneys, foundations. All kinds of jobbing work. 1621 Blanchard St. Phone B-1805 after 6 p. m. d9

FOR ALDERMAN

TO THE ELECTORS OF WARD 5.

I beg to inform you that I am an Aldermanic Candidate for Ward 5. I have large property interests in the ward, I believe in making Victoria a progressive and an up-to-date city, and I am convinced that there is room for improvement in the management of our civic affairs. My policy will be:

First—Good roads.

Second—An ample water supply, even if it does cost $2,000,000, for in my opinion Victoria cannot be made beautiful without an unlimited supply of water.

Third—A two years term for Aldermen, one half to retire each year by rotation.

Fourth—The abolition of the ward system.

Fifth—Good roads.

I am not allied with any clique, party or faction, but will if elected do my best for the general good of the city. Yours truly,

JOHN A. TURNER.

Lever's Y-Z (Wise Head) Disinfectant Soap Powder dusted in the bath, softens the water and disinfects 38

HACKS

Driving loads, one or four persons, single hour

$2.00

Over an hour and a half $1.50 per hour, within city limits.

Victoria Transfer Co., Ltd.

Phone 129

CIVIC NOTICE

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria having determined that it is desirable to execute the following works of Local Improvements, viz.: to construct

1. Permanent sidewalks on both sides of Skinner street from the Indian Reserve to Russell street, and to grade and macadamize said street.

2. Permanent sidewalks on both sides of Belton Avenue, from Craigflower Road to Dominion Road.

3. Permanent sidewalk on the south side of Fisguard street from Blanchard avenue to Quadra street.

4. Permanent sidewalk on the south side of Fisguard street (formerly Frederick street) from Quadra street to Cook street.

5. Permanent sidewalks on both sides of Rockland avenue (formerly Belcher street) from Vancouver street to Cook street.

6. Permanent sidewalk on the north side of Fairfield Road from Vancouver street to Cook street.

7. Boulevards on both sides of Trutch street from Richardson street to Fairfield Road, with curbs and gutters (including maintenance).

8. The grading, macadamizing and draining of Olliphant avenue from Vancouver street to Cook street and the construction of permanent sidewalks, with curbs, gutters and boulevards on both sides thereof (including maintenance).

9. Permanent sidewalk on the north side of Battery street, from Government street to Beacon Hill Park.

10. Permanent sidewalk on the south side of Simcoe street from Montreal street to Dallas Road.

AND that each and all of said works shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the Local Improvement General By-law, and amendment thereto, and the City Engineer and City Assessor having reported to the Council, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 of the said By-Law, upon each and every of said works of local improvement, giving statements showing the amounts estimated to be chargeable in each case against the various portions of real property to be benefited by the said works, and the reports of the City Engineer and City Assessor aforesaid having been adopted by the Council.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the said reports are open for inspection at the office of the City Assessor, City Hall, Douglas street.

"WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,"
C.M.C.

Victoria, B. C., City Clerk's Office, Dec. 2nd., 1908.

Estate of Green, Worlock & Company

Dividend No. 4, amounting to 10 per cent, will be paid by the Trustee at No. 1219 Langley street, Victoria, B. C., on and after Tuesday, the eighth day of December, 1908, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 5 p. m., to the creditors who have proved their claims to be entitled to rank on the above estate.

Kindly remember that interest certificates have to be produced.

B. S. HEISTERMAN,
Trustee.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I intend to make application to the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Victoria at its next sitting for a transfer from me to Albert Coopman of the license to sell spirituous and fermented liquors by retail on the premises formerly known as the Poodle Dog restaurant and now known as the Cecil Cafe, situate at No. 615-619 Yates street, Victoria, B. C.

Dated the 7th day of December, 1908.
W. S. D. SMITH.

LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900.

Notice is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to apply to the superintendent of provincial police for a license to sell intoxicating liquor on the premises to be known as the Howard Hotel, situated at Esquimalt.

JOSEPH BALL.

WE GIVE YOU?

A first-class and comfortable shave at THE EMPRESS HOTEL BARBER SHOP

Light and airy.

Prices as reasonable as anywhere. Manicuring done by an expert. Only a trial to convince you.

Lever's Y-Z (Wise Head) Disinfectant Soap Powder is a boon to any home. It disinfects and cleans at the same time. 29

CIVIC NOTICE

Re Municipal Voters' List for the Year 1909.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 14, of the "Municipal Elections' Act," notice is hereby given that the Court of Revision will sit at the City Hall, Victoria, B. C., on Monday the 21st day of December next, at the hour of 10 a. m.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C. M. C.

City Clerk's Office, Victoria, B. C., December 7, 1908.

NOT RESPONSIBLE.

Ship "Haddon Hall"

H. Fookes, Master.

Neither the captain nor the undersigned will be responsible for any debts contracted by the crew of the above vessel without their written order.

ROBT. WARD & CO., LTD.
Agents.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that we, the undersigned, Thomas Hunter and Joseph Giachero, intend to apply to the Board of License Commissioners at the next sitting of the said board to be held at the City of Victoria on Wedesday, the 9th day of December, 1908, for a transfer of the retail liquor licence held by us in respect of the Colonial Hotel, Johnson street, city of Victoria, to Thomas Hunter and Ernest Alexander Ferguson, both of the said City of Victoria, hotel-keepers. Dated at the City of Victoria, this 3rd day of November, 1908.

THOMAS HUNTER,
JOSEPH GIACHERO.

LIQUOR LICENSE ACT 1900

Notice is hereby given that thirty (30) days after date, application will be made to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for a renewal of License to sell intoxicating liquors on the premises known as The Hudson's Bay Company's House, situated at Telegraph Creek, British Columbia.

HUDSON BAY COMPANY,
Per J. T.
Telegraph Creek, B. C., 10th Nov. 1908.

SHIP "SIMLA"

Dead weight capacity 3,700 tons. This vessel having been on fire in Acapulco harbor is

NOW OPEN FOR INSPECTION

Offers are requested for the vessel as she now lies in damaged condition. Forty days from date will be given for inspection. All offers should be addressed to

ROBERTSON & MORENO
Acapulco, Mexico.

X Stocks for Sale

Subject to Prior Sale or Withdrawal

1000	Alberta Coal	.12
1000	Can. North-West Oil	.46
2000	Cariboo McKinney	.02½
1000	Diamond Vale Coal	.18
10	Gt. West Per. "B"	116.00
1000	International Coal	.77

WAGHORN, GWYNN & COMPANY
Stockbrokers. Vancouver.

Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Company

TENDERS FOR TRACK TIES.

Tenders will be received up to noon of Tuesday, 15th December, 1908, for 70,000 track ties or any portion of same to be delivered at grade level on right of way between Wellington and French Creek—or at sidings on E. & N. Railway south of Wellington.

Ties to be hewn or sawn, fir or cedar—according to C. P. Ry. specification for No. 1 Squared and No. 1 Flatted Ties—delivery to be completed by March 1st.

Specifications may be obtained at Division Engineer's office, Victoria, Agent at Wellington, and at Engineer's Camps between Wellington and Parksville. The lowest or any tenders not necessarily accepted, and in comparison of tenders preference will be given to those delivered nearest to where required for use. C. E. CARTWRIGHT,
Chief Engineer.

C. P. Ry. Division Engineer's Office, Vancouver, B. C., December 2nd, 1908.

VICTORIA WEST SODA WATER CO.

(Successors to Fairall Bros.

Our motto "As Good Goods As Can Be Produced," manufactured from the celebrated Goldstream water.

With prompt delivery we ask for a share of your patronage.

C. W. KIRK & SONS
R. J. HAMILTON, Gen. Man.

LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900.

Notice is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to apply to the superintendent of provincial police for a renewal of license to sell intoxicating liquor on the premises known as the Gorge Hotel, situated on Tillikum Road.

ELIZA MARSHALL.
The Gorge, B. C., 18th November, 1908.

F. W. STEVENSON & CO.

BROKERS

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643 FORT STREET REAL ESTATE PHONE 1492

Money to Loan on Improved Property, and Agreements of Sale Bought

Lots 37 and 38 Bank Street, close to car line, 40 x 120, $550 each, for this month only.

1000 Canadian Northwest Oil shares at .50.

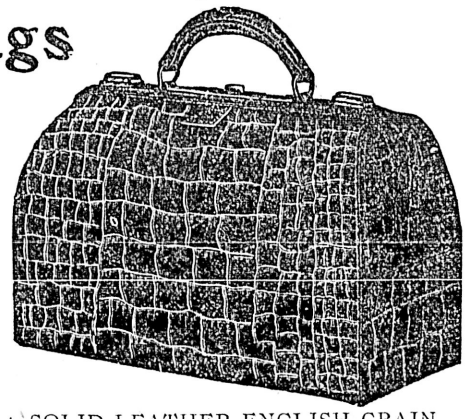
Two Islands, Gooch and Domville, for sale on east coast of Vancouver Island, 2 miles from Sidney, ideal sites for summer hotels, good fishing, etc. $20 per acre, or both islands for $2,750.

Lots for sale between Fairfield Road and Foul Bay on new car line from $500.

PROSPERITY IN VICTORIA PLENTY OF BUSINESS FOR ALL

The man who has been blue, or at least not feeling cheerful for some time past, is beginning to feel a great deal better. Judging from the crowds who visit The Big Store every day, Canada has prosperity again. IT IS HERE IN VICTORIA. Not all the people in Victoria were in Spencer's during the past few days, but it seemed as if they were. Don't put off your Xmas shopping, as we will be desperately busy a little later on.

Today a Sale of High Class Bags



English Kit Bags, the best bags made are the English Bags. The lines offered are the very best makes that we carry, made of the very highest grade leather in the best possible manner. Nothing more useful or sensible for gifts, and for anybody travelling much this is a fine chance to buy at great savings. Every bag offered in this lot is a genuine bargain. You have only to see them to realize that.

SOLID ENGLISH GRAIN COWHIDE 24-INCH KIT BAG, lever lock and brass fastenings, umbrella straps and protecting flap, 2 handles. Regular $35.00. Today **$23.25**

SOLID GRAIN COWHIDE 24-INCH ENGLISH KIT BAG, lever lock and brass fastenings, protecting flap, 2 handles and 2 straps. Reg. $30.00. Today **$19.75**

SOLID LEATHER GRAIN COWHIDE ENGLISH 24-INCH KIT BAG, lever lock and brass fastening, made with two straps and 2 handles, fully reinforced. Regular $27.50. Today **$18.50**

SOLID LEATHER SMOOTH COWHIDE ENGLISH 18-INCH KIT BAG, lined pigskin, best brass lock and fastenings, 2 handles and umbrella straps. Regular $25.00. Today **$16.50**

SOLID LEATHER GRAIN COWHIDE ENGLISH 24-INCH KIT BAG, brass lever lock and 2 handles. Reg. $20.00. Today **$13.25**

SOLID LEATHER ENGLISH GRAIN COWHIDE 20-INCH KIT BAG, 2 handles, best brass lock and fastenings. Reg. $14.00. Today **$9.25**

SOLID LEATHER ENGLISH GRAIN COWHIDE 20-INCH KIT BAG, brass lock and fastenings, 2 handles. Reg. $13.50. Today **$8.75**

LIGHT WEIGHT GRAIN COWHIDE 18-INCH KIT BAG, lined maroon leather, brass lock and fastenings. Reg. $13.75. Today **$9.25**

TWO ENGLISH SOLID GRAIN LEATHER COWHIDE SUIT CASES, size 20-inch, nickelled fittings, extra strong. Regular $10.50 and $9.50. Today $7.00 and **$6.25**

BLACK GRAIN SOLID LEATHER SURGEON'S BAG, 18 inches, lined brown leather, fitted with loops and pocket inside. Reg. $9.00. Today **$5.75**

Xmas Slipper Exhibit in Shoe Dept.

Without doubt the most complete and extensive showing of Xmas Footwear Novelties ever made in the city. Nothing makes a more appropriate Xmas present than these. Kosy Komfort and dainty Slippers for evening wear. We are the exclusive selling agents for the undermentioned specialties:

Ladies' Kosy Slippers

Made of superior quality felt in the new moccasin design, fitted with patent spring heel cushion soles. These soles are made of one inch pure carded wool and are so constructed that they give the support of a boot or shoe with the comfort of the lightest bedroom slippers. Come in pale blue, red, brown and black. Price **$2.00**

The Kosy Travelling Slipper for Ladies' and Gentlemen

Certainly the cutest slipper creation yet designed. Made of 1st quality vici kid or suede leather, enclosed in dainty leather cases to match. The ladies' are in red kid or green suede calf. The men's come in black, tan or oxblood kid. Price right through **$3.50**

Another Xmas Specialty

An exquisite range of Mercerized Silk Moire Gibson Tie Shoes, hand turned soles, threequarter Louis heels, an ideal evening shoe. Come in black, pink, blue, heliotrope and white, at **$3.00**

Also Suede Calf Gibson Tie to match above, in golden brown and oyster grey **$3.00**

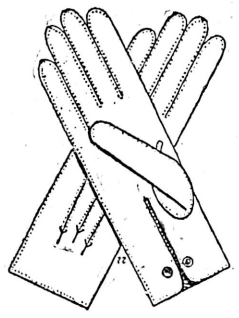
GENUINE INDIAN MAKE MOCCASIN SLIPPERS, for gents, ladies' and children, up from **$1.00**

FELT BEDROOM SLIPPERS, up from .. .. **25¢**

A DAINTY RANGE OF CROCHET SLIPPERS, in colors, Lambswool soles, ladies' sizes, 3 to 7 .. .. **$1.25**

Men's and Boys' Gloves Attractively Priced

Nothing a man or boy appreciates more than gloves, they are a useful reminder of the giver. Our stock is very large, and the prices most attractive. If you don't know the size buy a glove scrip.



DENT'S TAN COPE GLOVES, special at **$1.00**

DENT'S DOGSKIN GLOVES, special at **$1.25**

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DENT'S DOGSKIN GLOVES, extra heavy, at **$1.75**

DENT'S DOGSKIN GLOVES, hand sewn, at **$2.50**

DENT'S "WESTEND" GLOVES, white stitched, at.. .. .. **$1.50**

DENT'S BLACK KID GLOVES, 2-button, at.....**$1.00**

EVENING GLOVES, white kid, at .. .. **75¢**

EVENING GLOVES, white kid, extra special at.....**50¢**

MOCHA GLOVES, wool lined, special at.....**75¢**

MOCHA GLOVES, wool lined, at.. .. .. **$1.00**

MEN'S AND BOYS' LINED LEATHER GLOVES, at **50¢**

BOYS' KID GLOVES, wool lined, at **$1.00**

MEN'S WOOL GLOVES, special at.. .. .. **50¢**

DENT'S "VIATKA" GLOVES, at.. ..**$1.50**

DENT'S TAN GLOVES, silk lined cape, at.. .. .. **$1.50**

DENT'S GENUINE KID GLOVES, best make, all the newest tan shades, at....**$2.25**

DENT'S GREY MOCHA GLOVES, silk lined, also tan shades at.. .. .. **$2.00**

DENT'S TAN MOCHA, at **$2.00**

DENT'S TAN MOCHA, silk lined, at..**$2.00**

DENT'S GENUINE REINDEER GLOVES, silk lined, at.. .. .. **$2.50**

BOYS' KID GLOVES, wool lined with knitted wrist bands, special.. .. .. **75¢**

MEN'S HEAVY WORKING GLOVES at.. .. .. .. **75¢**

MEN'S HEAVY WORKING GLOVES at.. .. .. **50¢**

MEN'S HEAVY HORSEHIDE GLOVES with gauntlet, at.. .. .. **$1.50**

DENT'S EXTRA FINE MOTOR GAUNTLETTS, wool lined, at.. .. .. **$4.50**

Women's Silk Waists on Sale Today

Regular $2.25 to $3.50 Waists for $1.25

Silk Waists for $1.25. It hardly seems possible, but that is what we offer. These waists are made of Japanese silk in cream and black, also some pretty net ones. Some of the silks are prettily trimmed with fine laces and insertion, others are the plain tailored styles. Any waist in the lot is worth twice the price asked, and most of them are worth a good deal more. Reg. $2.25 to $5.50 waists, today **$1.25**

Men's House Coats on Sale Today

$6.75 to $$8.50 Coats for $5.75

MEN'S HOUSE COATS made of handsome cloths, some plain with plaid backs, others in fancy designs. These coats are nicely finished with silk cords and braids, and some have straps of plaid cloth on sleeves and pockets. A more acceptable gift for any man would be hard to find, and these are offered at good savings. Regular $6.75 to $8.50. Today **$5.75**

Furniture Makes the Very Nicest Gifts

There is no question about a gift of furniture being acceptable, in fact most welcome. Eveyrbody likes to have their home attractive, and nothing makes it more so than nice furniture. We have been busy during the last week putting new lines into stock, goods that were bought particularly for the holiday trade. The very latest furniture novelties, the newest styles and ideas in artistic furniture are to be had in our Furniture Showrooms, and at small cost.

UMBRELLA STANDS, Early English, at $9.00, $5.50 and.. .. .. **$4.00**

LIBRARY TABLES, Early English, at $29.00 and **$19.50**

WOMEN'S DESKS, Early English, at **$14.50**

JARDINIERE and PARLOR STANDS, Early English, at $5.75 and.. .. .. **$4.50**

DEN TABLES, Early English, at $17.00 and.....**$16.00**

BUFFETS, Early English, at $92.00, $84.00, $50.00, $46.00 and.... .... **$37.00**

PARLOR CABINETS, Mahogany, at $33.00, $32.00, $21.00, $15.50, $12.00 and **$10.00**

MUSIC CABINETS, golden oak, at.... .... **$7.50**

MUSIC CABINETS, birch, mahogany, at $17.50, $15.50, $9.00 and.... .... **$6.00**

STANDS, mahogany, at $7.00 and.. .. .. **$6.00**

STANDS, golden oak, at $5.50, $5.00 and.....**$2.00**

PARLOR TABLES, golden oak and birch mahogany, at $11.00, $10.50, $7.00, $6.00, $5.00 and.....**$3.25**

Cake Stands Up to $7.00 for $1.50

CAKE STANDS on sale today at a great bargain. Nice attractive stands made of fancy cane and rush. We have nineteen to sell, ten were $2.00, four were $3.00, two were $3.50, one was $4.50, two were $7.00. Your choice of the entire lot this morning at 8.30 a.m. **$1.50**

Boy's Overcoats up to $6.50 for $3.75

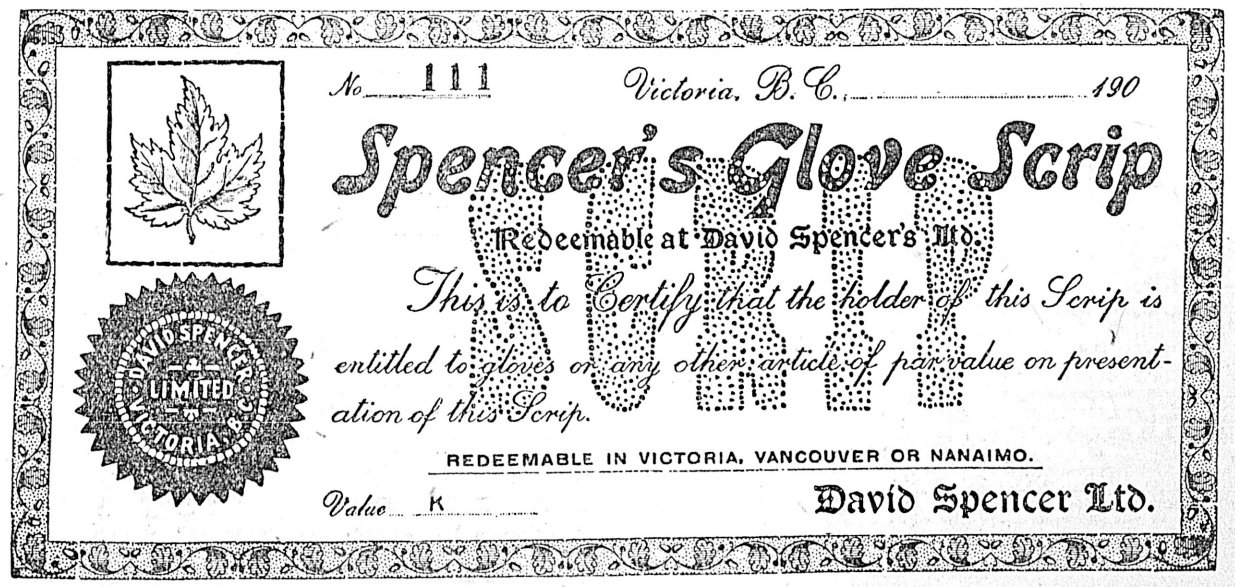
A quantity of Boys' Overcoats in reefer and three-quarter lengths, principally in fancy styles for small boys. Red, navy and other cloths, many with emblems on the sleeves, sizes for boys from 3 to 8 years, regular $5.75 to $6.50. This morning at 8.30 a.m. **$3.75**

Skirts up to $18.50 for $9.50

A sale of some of our highest grade Skirts for today, beautiful styles made of Panama, Venetians and other good cloths in the very best styles, trimmed with folds of self and some finished with straps of taffeta silk in different shades. The colors shown are black, brown, navy and a few fancy designs. A good chance to buy one of our best skirts at this price. Regular values up to $18.50. Today **$9.50**

Trimmed Millinery at $5.00 Worth Double

Another lot of attractive hats at this very small price. Copies of the handsomest pattern hats and the season's most attractive styles will be found amongst this lot. We are using up our stock of millinery trimmings and shapes in this way, making them up and selling them at this low price. Any hat is worth twice the price asked. Many are worth more. Today, choice, at **$5.00**



If your shopping prevents you going home to lunch, we serve dainty ones at our Tea Rooms.

DAVID SPENCER, LTD.

A Cup of Tea does wonders when you are tired. The best served at our Tea Rooms.